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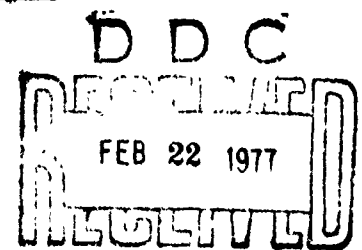
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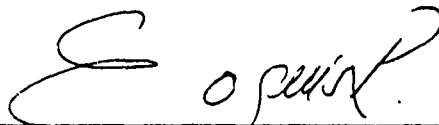
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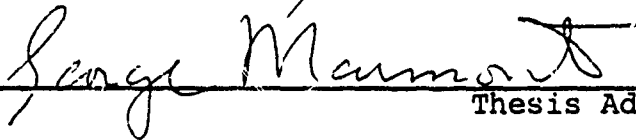
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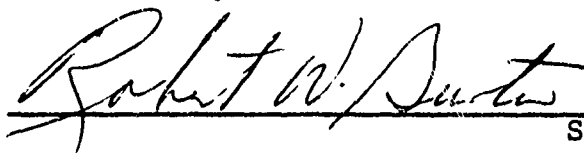
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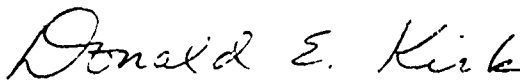
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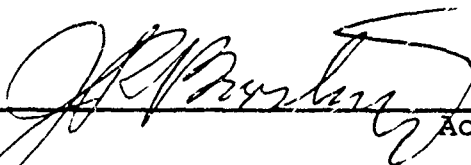
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## I. DEFINITIONS

The following definitions are given to acquaint the reader with some of the terms commonly encountered in the field of cryptography.

Cryptology is the branch of knowledge that deals with the development and use of all forms of secret communication.

Cryptography is the branch of cryptology that deals with secret writing.

Cryptanalysis is the branch of cryptology that deals with the analysis and solution of cryptographic systems.

A Cipher is a cryptographic system which conceals, in a cryptographic sense, the letters or groups of letters in the message or plaintext.

Enciphering is the operation of concealing a plaintext, and the result is a cipher text, or in general a cryptogram.

Deciphering is the process of discovering the secret meaning of a cipher text.

A key is the variable parameter of a cipher system, prearranged between correspondents, which determines the specific application of a general cipher system being used. The use of keys permits almost endless variations within a given cipher system. In fact, the value of a specific cipher system is based on how hard it is for an "enemy" to break a cryptogram or series of cryptograms, assuming he knows the complete details of the system but

lacks the keys which were used to encipher the cryptograms originally.

A code is a cryptographic system which substitutes symbol groups for words, phrases, or sentences found in the plaintext. It involves the use of a codebook, copies of which are kept by each correspondent.

Encoding is the operation of concealing a message using a code.

Decoding is the process of recovering an encoded message.

A code differs from a cipher because a code deals with plaintext in variable size units, such as words or phrases, while a cipher deals with plaintext in fixed size units, usually a letter at a time.

## II. INTRODUCTION

Since there is no way of making data communication links physically secure, particularly if some form of radio transmission is involved, encryption is the only practical method of protecting the transmitted data. In the commercial world and nonmilitary parts of government, there is a growing need for encryption. This need for encryption is not just to satisfy the legal requirements for privacy, but also to protect systems from criminal activities.

At the present time, communication systems seem to be going towards digital means. There are already in use digital systems for data communications as well as for public services such as the telephone system.

The present work was intended to study the possibility of using a digital computer to realize cryptographic systems. Further, this computer can be envisioned as part of a digital communication system, mainly to do cryptography and to implement suitable error correcting codes. The DEC PDP-11/40 minicomputer was used to do this study.

Through this work, three cryptographic systems were designed, ranging from a simple substitution cipher to a data-keyed cipher. On the latter the message itself constituted the key to modify other characters. Very significant results were obtained from it in the sense that it gives rise to a text where its characters were nearly

equiprobable. Further, a cyclic error correcting code was designed and implemented to work with these cryptographic systems.

### III. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Some of the earliest practical cryptographic systems were the monoalphabetic substitution systems used by the Romans [Ref. 1]. In these, one letter is substituted for another. For example, an A might be replaced by a C. By the fifteenth century, an Italian by the name of Alberti came up with a technique of cryptoanalyzing letters by frequency analyses. As a result, he invented probably the first polyalphabetic substitution system using a cipher disk. Thus, he would rotate the disk and encode several more words with the next substitution alphabet.

Early in the sixteenth century Trithemius, a Benedictine Monk, had the first printed book published on cryptology. Trithemius described the square table or tableau which was the first known instance of a progressive key applied to polyalphabetic substitution. It provided a means of changing alphabets with each character. Later in the sixteenth century, Vigenere perfected the autokey; a progressive key in which the last decoded character led to the next substitution alphabet in a polyalphabetic key. These were basically the techniques that were widely applied in the cryptomachines in the first half of the twentieth century. Various transposition techniques have been employed including the wide use of changing word order and techniques such as rail transpositions (used in the Civil War).



In 1883, Auguste Kerckhoffs, a man born in Holland but a naturalized Frenchman, published a book entitled La Cryptographic Militaire. In it, he established two general principles for cryptographic systems. They were:

1. A key must withstand the operational strains of heavy traffic. It must be assumed that the enemy has the general system. Therefore, the security of the system must rest with the key.
2. Only cryptoanalysts can know the security of the key. In this, he infers that anyone who proposes a cryptographic technique should be familiar with the techniques that could be used to break it.

From these two general principles, six specific requirements emerged in his book:

1. The key should be, if not theoretically unbreakable, at least unbreakable in practice.
2. Compromise of the hardware system or coding technique should not result in compromising the security of communications that the system carries.
3. The key should be remembered without notes and should be easily changeable.
4. The cryptograms must be transmittable by telegraph. Today this would be expanded to include both digital intelligence and voice (if voice scramblers are employed) utilizing either wire or radio as the medium.

5. The apparatus or documents should be portable and operable by a single person.
6. The system should be easy, neither requiring knowledge of a long list of rules nor involving mental strain.

In 1917 Gilbert S. Vernam, a young engineer at American Telephone and Telegraph Company, using the Baudot code (teletype) invented a means of adding two characters (exclusive or). Vernam's machine mixed a key with text as illustrated by the following:

Clear Text	1	0	1	1	1
Key	0	1	0	1	0
	-----				
Coded Character	1	1	1	0	1

To derive the text from the coded character, all that was required was the addition of the key again to the coded character.

Coded Character	1	1	1	0	1
Key	0	1	0	1	0
	-----				
Clear Text	1	0	1	1	1

His machines used a key tape loop about eight feet long which caused the key to repeat itself over a high volume of traffic. This allowed cryptanalysts to derive the key. William F. Friedman, in fact, solved cryptograms using single-loop code tapes but appears to have been

unsuccessful when two code tapes were used. Major Joseph Om Mauborgne (U.S. Army) then introduced the one-time code tape derived from a random noise source. This was one of the first theoretically (and in practice) unbreakable code systems. The major disadvantage of the system was the enormous amounts of key required for high-volume traffic.

During the 1920's and 1930's, the rotor-code machines having five and more rotors, each rotor representing a scrambling step, were developed. They proved relatively insecure, requiring only high-traffic volume for the cryptanalyst to break them. In fact, the Japanese used a code-wheel-type machine for their diplomatic communications well into World War II. It was vulnerable to cryptanalysis, and William F. Friedman and his group not only solved the code but reconstructed a model of the machine to break Japanese diplomatic correspondence. Thus, President Roosevelt and others were aware of the impending break in diplomatic relations with Japan just prior to World War II.

The code wheels (or rotors) were nothing more than key memories storing quantities of key which could easily be changed by interchanging rotor positions, specifying various start points for each rotor, and periodically replacing a set of rotors. This provided a means of producing what is called key leverage.

The advent of electronic enciphering systems substantially replaced the mechanical cryptographic machines. And, further the appearance and fast development of digital logic is offering new tools to modern crypto designers. References (2), (3) and (4) from the Bell System Technical Journal provide interesting literature on Digital Data Scramblers.

Today, the most commonly encountered commercial cryptosystem is based on the "shift register," [Ref. 5]. Despite design variations, shift registers are used as pseudorandom key generators. The implementation of data scramblers with pseudorandom sequences using logic circuits is suggested by Twigg [Ref. 6], and Henrickson [Ref. 7]. The idea of shift register sequences is well treated by Golomb [Ref. 8]. The relative weakness of pseudorandom codes is pointed by Meyer and Tuchman [Ref. 9], from I.B.M. For high security, Torrieri [Ref. 10], and Geffe [Ref. 11], introduce the idea of using nonlinear as well as linear operations. The theory of nonlinear operations is also contained in Ref. 8.

Finally, the appearance of modern high speed digital computers has risen speculation as how best to apply its capabilities since it is available for both cryptography and cryptanalysis. Even the newest microprocessors are reported [Ref. 12], as being designed for encryption devices.

A very comprehensive historical exposition with some descriptive technical content is the book by Kahn, The

Codebreakers [Ref. 13], which appeared in 1967. Of special interests are the sections devoted to the cryptographic agencies of the major powers, including the United States.

For the interested reader in the field of cryptography, the American Cryptogram Association publishes "The Cryptogram," a bimonthly magazine of articles and cryptograms. The hobby of solving cryptograms provides a fascinating intellectual challenge. Patient analysis and flashes of insight, combined with the enthusiasm of uncovering something hidden, give cryptanalysts an enjoyment which is almost unique.

#### IV. THEORY OF SECRECY SYSTEMS

##### A. INTRODUCTION

A secrecy system is defined as a set of transformations of one space (the set of possible messages) into a second space (the set of possible cryptograms). Each particular transformation of the set corresponds to enciphering with a particular key. The transformations are supposed reversible (non-singular) in order to obtain unique deciphering when the key is known together with the specific system used.

Each key and therefore each transformation is assumed to have an a priori probability associated with it. Similarly each possible message is assumed to have an associated a priori probability of being selected for encryption. These two represent the a priori knowledge of the situation for a cryptanalyst trying to break the cipher.

To use the system a key is first selected and sent to the receiving point. The choice of a key determines a particular transformation in the set forming the system. Then a message is selected and the particular transformation corresponding to the selected key is applied to the message to produce a cryptogram. This cryptogram is transmitted to the receiving point by a channel where it can be intercepted by an undesired agent. At the receiving end, the inverse of the particular transformation is applied to the cryptogram

to recover the original message. Figure 1 provides the conceptual idea of a secrecy system.

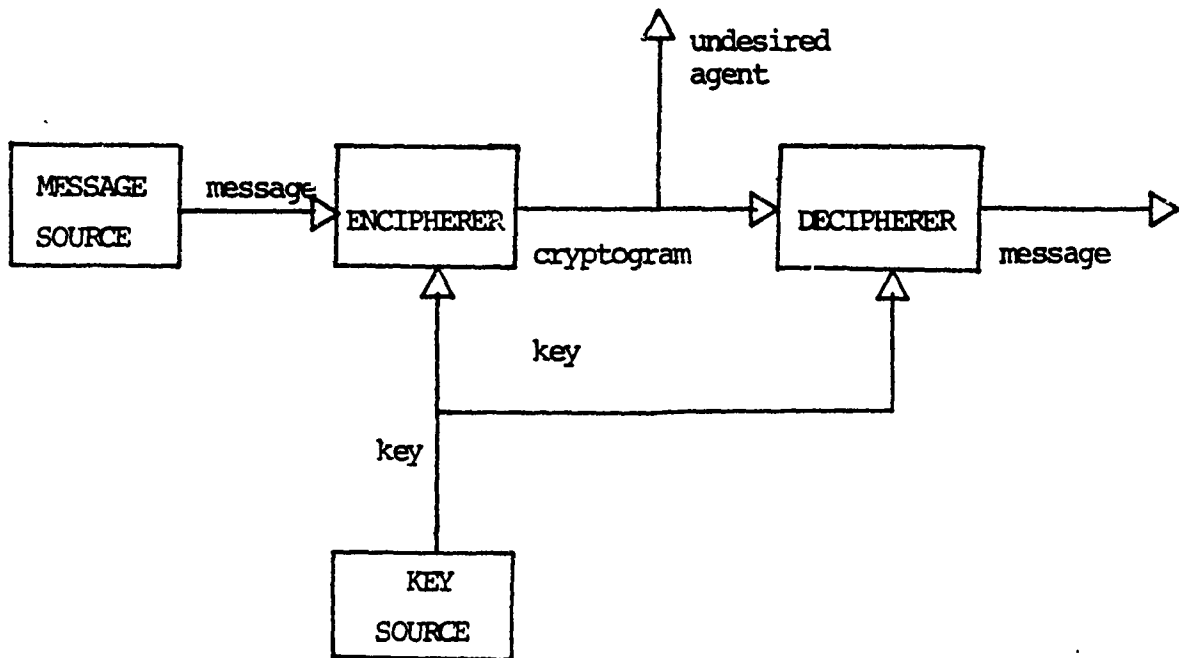


Figure 1. A Secrecy System.

If the referred undesired agent intercepts the transmitted cryptogram through a channel, he can calculate from it and from his possible knowledge of the system being used, the a posteriori probabilities of the various possible messages and keys which might have produced this cryptogram. This set of a posteriori probabilities constitutes his knowledge of the key and message after the interception.

The calculation of the a posteriori probabilities is the generalized problem in cryptanalysis.

### C. PERFECT SECRECY

Shannon [Ref. 14], provides for concepts such as entropy, redundancy, equivocation and many others that are helpful for evaluating secrecy systems.

Let us assume that the message space is constituted by a finite number of messages  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_n$  with an associated a priori probabilities  $p(P_1), p(P_2), \dots, p(P_n)$  and that these messages are mapped into the cryptogram space by the transformation

$$C_j = T_i P_j$$

The cryptanalyst intercepts a particular  $C_j$  and can then calculate the a posteriori conditional probability for the various messages,  $p(P_j/C_j)$ . It seems natural now to define that one condition for perfect secrecy is that for all  $C_j$ , the a posteriori probabilities of the messages  $P$  given that  $C_j$  has been received, are equal to their a priori probabilities, independent of these values. Or, from an information theory viewpoint, intercepting the cryptogram has given the cryptanalyst no information about the message; he just knows that a message was sent. On the other hand, if this condition is not satisfied there will exist situations in which the cryptanalyst has certain



a priori probabilities and certain choices of key and message thus preventing perfect secrecy to be achieved.

Shannon [Ref. 15], gives a theorem stating the necessary and sufficient conditions for perfect secrecy, namely

$$p(C/P) = p(C)$$

for all the messages (P) and all the cryptograms (C).

Where

$p(C/P)$  = Conditional probability of cryptogram C to occur if message P is chosen.

$p(C)$  = Probability of obtaining cryptogram C for any cause.

Stated in other terms, the total probability of all keys that transform  $P_i$  into a given cryptogram C is equal to that of all keys transforming  $P_j$  into the same C, for all  $P_i$ ,  $P_j$  and C.

In the Mathematical Theory of Communications given by Reference 14, it was shown that a convenient measure of information was the entropy. For a set of events with probabilities  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$ , the entropy H is given by:

$$H = - \sum_n p_i \log p_i$$

In a secrecy system there are two choices involved, that of the message and that of the key. We may measure the amount of information produced when a message is chosen by

$$H(P) = - \sum p(P) \log p(P)$$

the summation being over all possible messages. Similarly, there is an uncertainty associated with the choice of key given by

$$H(K) = - \sum p(K) \log p(K)$$

For perfect secrecy systems the amount of information in the message is at most  $\log n$  (occurring when all messages are equiprobable). This information can be concealed completely only if the key uncertainty is at least  $\log n$ . In a more general way of expressing this: There is a limit to what we can achieve with a given uncertainty in key, the amount of uncertainty we can introduce into the solution cannot be greater than the key uncertainty.

The situation gets more complicated if the number of messages is infinite. For example, assume that messages are generated as infinite sequences of letters by a suitable Markoff process. From the definition, no finite key will give perfect secrecy. We can suppose then, that the key source generates keys in the same manner, that is as an

infinite sequence of symbols. Suppose further that only a certain length  $L_k$  is needed to encipher and decipher a length  $L_p$  of message. Let the logarithm of the number of letters in the message alphabet be  $R_p$  and that for the key alphabet be  $R_k$ . Then from the finite case, it is evident that perfect secrecy requires

$$R_p L_p \leq R_k L_k$$

This type of perfect secrecy is obtained by the Vernam system [Ref. 16].

Thus, it can be concluded that the key required for perfect secrecy depends on the total number of possible messages. The disadvantage of perfect systems for large correspondence systems such as for data communications and data retrieval services, is the equivalent amount of key that must be sent.

In this paper the requirement for a large key for large messages is eliminated by designing a self keyed system that will continually originate key letters based on several past letters that were already ciphered. Provided enough distance is chosen in between selected letters the system will avoid the statistical dependency of consecutive letters in a natural language, thus generating a sequence of key letters suitable for any message length.

#### D. EQUIVOCATION

A cryptographic system can be compared with a communication system in the sense that whereas in one the signal is unintentionally perturbed by noise, and in the other, namely the cryptographic system, the message is intentionally perturbed by the ciphering process to hide the information. Thus, there is an uncertainty of what was actually transmitted. From information theory a natural mathematical measure of uncertainty is the conditional entropy of the transmitted signal when the received signal is known. This conditional entropy is known as equivocation.

$$H(X/Y) = - \sum p(x,y) \log p(x/y)$$

From the point of view of the cryptanalyst, a secrecy system is almost identical with a noisy communication system. The message is operated by a statistical element, the enciphering system, with its statistically chosen key. The result of this operation is the cryptogram, which when transmitted is vulnerable to interception and available for analysis. The main differences in the two cases are:

1. The operation of the enciphering transformation is generally of a more complex nature than the perturbing noise in a channel.
2. The key for a secrecy system is usually chosen from a finite set of possibilities while the noise in the

channel is more often continually introduced, in effect chosen from an infinite set.

With these considerations in mind it is natural to use the equivocation as a theoretical secrecy index. It may be noted that there are two significant equivocations, that of the key and that of the message which are denoted as  $H(K/C)$  and  $H(P/C)$ :

$$H(K/C) = - \sum p(C,K) \log p(K/C)$$

$$H(P/C) = - \sum p(C,P) \log p(K/P)$$

The same general arguments used to justify the equivocation as a measure of uncertainty in communication theory apply here as well. Zero equivocation requires that one message (or key) have unit probability and all others zero, corresponding to complete knowledge.

#### E. IDEAL SECRECY SYSTEMS

In Reference 15, the concept of equivocation leads to means of evaluating secrecy systems as a function of the amount of  $N$ , the number of letters received. It is shown that for most systems as  $N$  increases the referred equivocations tend to decrease to zero, consequently the solution of the cryptogram becomes unique at a point called unicity point.

In the section on Perfect Secrecy it was stated that perfect secrecy requires an infinite amount of key if

messages of unlimited length are allowed. With a finite key size, the equivocation of key and message generally approaches zero. The other extreme is for  $H(K/C)$  to be equal to  $H(K)$ . Then, no matter how much material is intercepted, there is not a unique solution but many of comparable probability. An ideal system can be defined as one in which  $H(K/C)$  and  $H(P/C)$  do not approach zero as  $N$  increases. A strongly ideal system would be one in which  $H(K/C)$  remains constant at  $H(K)$ , that is, knowing the cryptogram has not aided in solving the key uncertainty.

An example of an ideal cipher is a simple substitution in an artificial language in which all letters are equiprobable and successive letters independently chosen.

With natural languages it is in general possible to approximate the ideal characteristic. The complexity of the system needed usually goes up rapidly when an attempt is made to realize this. To approximate the ideal equivocation, one may first operate on the message with a transducer which removes all redundancies. After this almost any simple ciphering system - substitution, transposition, etc., is satisfactory. The more elaborate the transducer and the nearer the output is to the desired form, the more closely will the secrecy system approximate the ideal characteristic.

The work to be presented in following sections, will describe a scheme to approximate the ideal secrecy system by using a digital computer to mainly accomplish two things:

1. Change the probability structure of natural languages to obtain an almost equiprobable occurrence of letters.

2. Eliminate the statistical dependence of successive letters in natural languages.

Further, a message transformed to reflect these properties, will be either transmitted as such or an additional conventional ciphering can be made.

## V. DIGITAL SUBSTITUTION

The development of a digital substitution cipher was the first step taken to accomplish the present work. After it, more complex variations were experimented to obtain a reasonable secure system taking advantage of the use of the computer. Thus, it can be said that most of the subsequent work rests on these first results. A brief explanation follows of the Decwriter system and its character codes used to interface with the PDP-11/40 computer.

### A. THE DECWRITER SYSTEM

The LC11 Decwriter system is a high-speed teletypewriter designed to interface with the PDP-11 family of processors to provide both: Input (keyboard) and output (printer) functions for the system. It can be used as the console input/output device. The system can receive characters from the keyboard or can print at speeds up to 30 characters per second in standard ASCII formats. The character code used is USASCII-68 which is listed in Table No. I. From these 128 characters, only 64 are printing characters, those of columns 2, 3, 4 and 5. Table No. II presents these 64 characters and their correspondent binary representation.



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		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
ROW	BITS 4321	000	001	010	011	100	101	110	111	
	765									
0	0000	NUL	DLE	SP	0	@	P	\	p	
1	0001	SOH	DC1	!	1	A	Q	a	q	
2	0010	STX	DC2	"	2	B	R	b	r	
3	0011	ETX	DC3	#	3	C	S	c	s	
4	0100	EOT	DC4	\$	4	D	T	d	t	
5	0101	ENQ	NAK	%	5	E	U	e	u	
6	0110	ACK	SYN	&	6	F	V	f	v	
7	0111	BEL	ETB	'	7	G	W	g	w	
8	1000	BS	CAN	(	8	H	X	h	x	
9	1001	HT	EM	)	9	I	Y	i	y	
10	1010	LF	SUB	*	:	J	Z	j	z	
11	1011	VT	ESC	+	;	K	[	k	{	
12	1100	FF	FS	,	<	L	\	l	!	
13	1101	CR	GS	-	=	M	]	m	}	
14	1110	SO	RS	.	>	N	^	n	~	
15	1111	SI	US	/	?	O	_	o	DEL	

TABLE I - USASCII-68 CHARACTER CODE

SP	10100000	0	10110000	@	11000000	P	11010000
!	10100001	1	10110001	A	11000001	Q	11010001
"	10100010	2	10110010	B	11000010	R	11010010
#	10100011	3	10110011	C	11000011	S	11010011
\$	10100100	4	10110100	D	11000100	T	11010100
%	10100101	5	10110101	E	11000101	U	11010101
&	10100110	6	10110110	F	11000110	V	11010110
'	10100111	7	10110111	G	11000111	W	11010111
(	10101000	8	10111000	H	11001000	X	11010000
)	10101001	9	10111001	I	11001001	Y	11011001
*	10101010	:	10111010	J	11001010	Z	11011010
+	10101011	;	10111011	K	11001011	[	11011011
,	10101100	<	10111100	L	11001100		11011100
-	10101101	=	10111101	M	11001101	]	11011101
.	10101110	>	10111110	N	11001110	^	11011110
/	10101111	?	10111111	O	11001111	_	11011111

TABLE II - DECWRITER PRINTING CHARACTERS AND THEIR BINARY REPRESENTATION

## B. APPLICATION OF GROUP THEORY TO CRYPTOGRAPHY

A group is defined as a set of elements  $a, b, c, \dots$  and an operation, denoted by  $+$  for which the following properties are satisfied:

a) For any elements  $a, b$ , in the set,  $a + b$  is in the set.

b) The associative law is satisfied; that is, for any  $a, b, c$  in the set

$$a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$$

c) There is an identity element,  $I$ , in the set such that

$$a + I = I + a = a; \quad \text{all } a \text{ in the set.}$$

d) For each element  $a$ , there is an inverse  $a^{-1}$  in the set satisfying

$$a + a^{-1} = a^{-1} + a = I$$

A group is abelian or commutative if

$$a + b = b + a \quad \text{for all } a \text{ and } b \text{ in the set.}$$

The integers under ordinary addition and the set of binary sequences of a fixed length  $n$  under exclusive-or operation are examples of abelian groups.

From boolean algebra, an additional property of an abelian group of binary sequences of a fixed length  $n$  under the exclusive-or operation is that,

given  $a + b = c$   
then  $a + c = b$   
and  $b + c = a$ ; for all  $a, b$  and  $c$  in  
the group.

The 8-bit binary sequences with which the computer handles the ASCII code characters is in this sense an abelian group. This last property suggested the idea of encrypting simply by exclusive-oring the desired set of sequences by a key (another sequence or a set of sequences). Decrypting or recovery of the original sequences can be done simply by exclusive-oring the obtained set of sequences with the key.

Basically the transformation can be expressed as

$C = K + P$  , for encryption, and  
 $P = K + C$  , for decryption,

where  $C$ ,  $K$  and  $P$  represent an 8-bit sequence stored in a register and the symbol  $+$  stands for the logical exclusive-or operation.

While it is clear that the whole  $2^8$  8-bit sequences can be used to represent crypto sequences, since this set

of sequences constitute an abelian group; a limitation was imposed through this work to allow transformations to be done between printing characters (those of Table II). That is, restrict the domain and range of the transformations to the binary sequences of Table II.

We can further realize the 12 possible combinations of two sequences of same or different sets by exclusive-or-ing them and observe that the range of the transformations is given by the sets of sequences whose 4-left most are:

0 0 0 0 for A + A

B + B

C + C

D + D

0 0 0 1 for A + B

B + A

C + D

D + C

0 1 1 0 for A + C

C + A

B + D

D + B

0 1 1 1 for A + D

D + A

B + C

C + B

### C. TRANSFORMATIONS

From Table II it can be observed that these sequences no longer form a group under the exclusive-or operation, since choosing any two sequences will originate a new sequence not in the referred table. For example:

Plaintext character = A = 11000001 +  
Key character = L = 11001100  
Ciphered character = 00001101

And we obtained a sequence 00001101 not in the table.

If we observe sets A, B, C and D of Table II, we will observe that each set has its 4-left most bits equal. Or that the domain of the transformation is given by the sequences whose 4-left most bits are:

Set A 1010  
Set B 1011  
Set C 1100  
Set D 1101

In order to make the range of the transformations equal to its domain in accordance with the restriction imposed, an additional binary multiplier: The intermediate key (IK) was devised. It allowed for mapping into the 64 printing characters.

The value of IK is dependent on the particular transformation desired and the key to be used. For example:  
 A system is designed to transform characters from set B into characters of set C for encryption. The decryption is done by doing the inverse. Now assume that the key to be used for a particular transformation belongs to set D.

Plaintext character = 8 = 10111000 (Set B)

Key character = Z = 11011010 (Set D)

01100010

IK = 10100000

Crypto character = B = 11000010 (Set C)

The intermediate key value was obtained by exclusive-oring the 4-left most bits of the plaintext, the key and the crypto characters, as shown below.

Plaintext character	1011	+
Key character	1101	+
Crypto character	<u>1100</u>	
IK	10100000	

For decrypting the inverse is done, that is:

Crypto character = B = 11000010 (Set C)

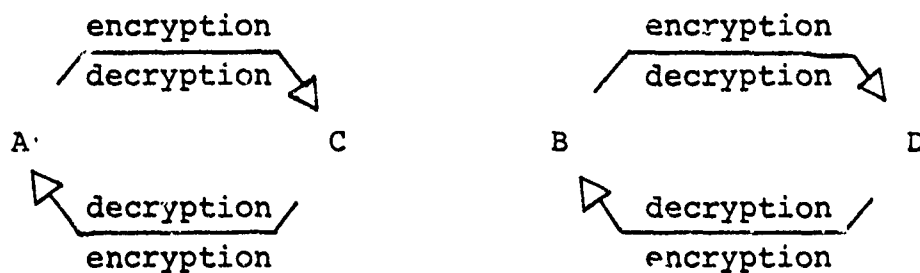
Key character = Z = 11011010 (Set D)

00011000

IK = 10100000

Plaintext character = 8 = 10111000

Based on the concepts so far presented and the idea of the intermediate key multiplier, that allows for sequences of Table II to behave like a group, Table III was constructed. It gives the necessary values of IK for all possible transformations in between sets. From this general table, it can be obtained typical tables of required values of IK for each specific transformation. For example, if we assume that the desired transformation between the four sets were



Then the required table of IK values will be:



KEY SET															
A				B				C				D			
CRYPTO CHARACTER SET															
A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
B	A	D	C	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B
D	C	B	A	D	C	B	A	D	C	B	A	D	C	B	A

Where: A = 10100000  
 B = 10110000  
 C = 11000000  
 D = 11010000

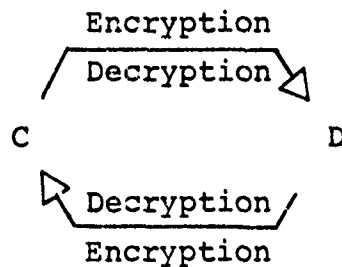
\* This is not the ASCII representation of A, B, C, D but the binary string that they represent in the table.

TABLE III - INTERMEDIATE KEY VALUES

		K E Y S E T			
		A	B	C	D
P L A I N T E X T S E T	A	C	D	A	B
	B	C	D	A	B
	C	C	D	A	B
	D	C	D	A	B

D. SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION

Although the scheme developed and presented until now provides for transformations using the 64 printing characters, a restriction was placed to be able to handle only the 26 letters of the English alphabet plus the additional 6 characters that appear in Table No. II, sets C and D. Thus, for the simple substitution ciphers transformations were designed between these two sets, that is,



And the corresponding table of values of intermediate keys will be:

		K E Y S E T			
		A	B	C	D
P L A I N T E X T S E T	A	B	A	D	C
	B	B	A	D	C
	C	B	A	D	C
	D	B	A	D	C

Figure 2 shows in block diagram the computer realization of this simple substitution cipher. Appendix A gives the complete program to accomplish this. Figure 3 is an example of this cipher.

#### E. GRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION OF RESULTS

Natural languages, such as English, Spanish, German, French, etc., have a characteristic letter frequency. For example, the normal frequency for English is as shown in Table IV.

For the purpose of observing the statistical nature of plaintexts as well as of cryptograms obtained, a computer program (shown in Appendix B and C) was made to realize the following computations:

- Count the number of occurrences of each letter in a text.
- Calculate and plot the percentage of occurrence of each character in the text.
- Calculate the mean value of percentage of occurrences.
- Calculate the standard deviation of the percentage of occurrences.

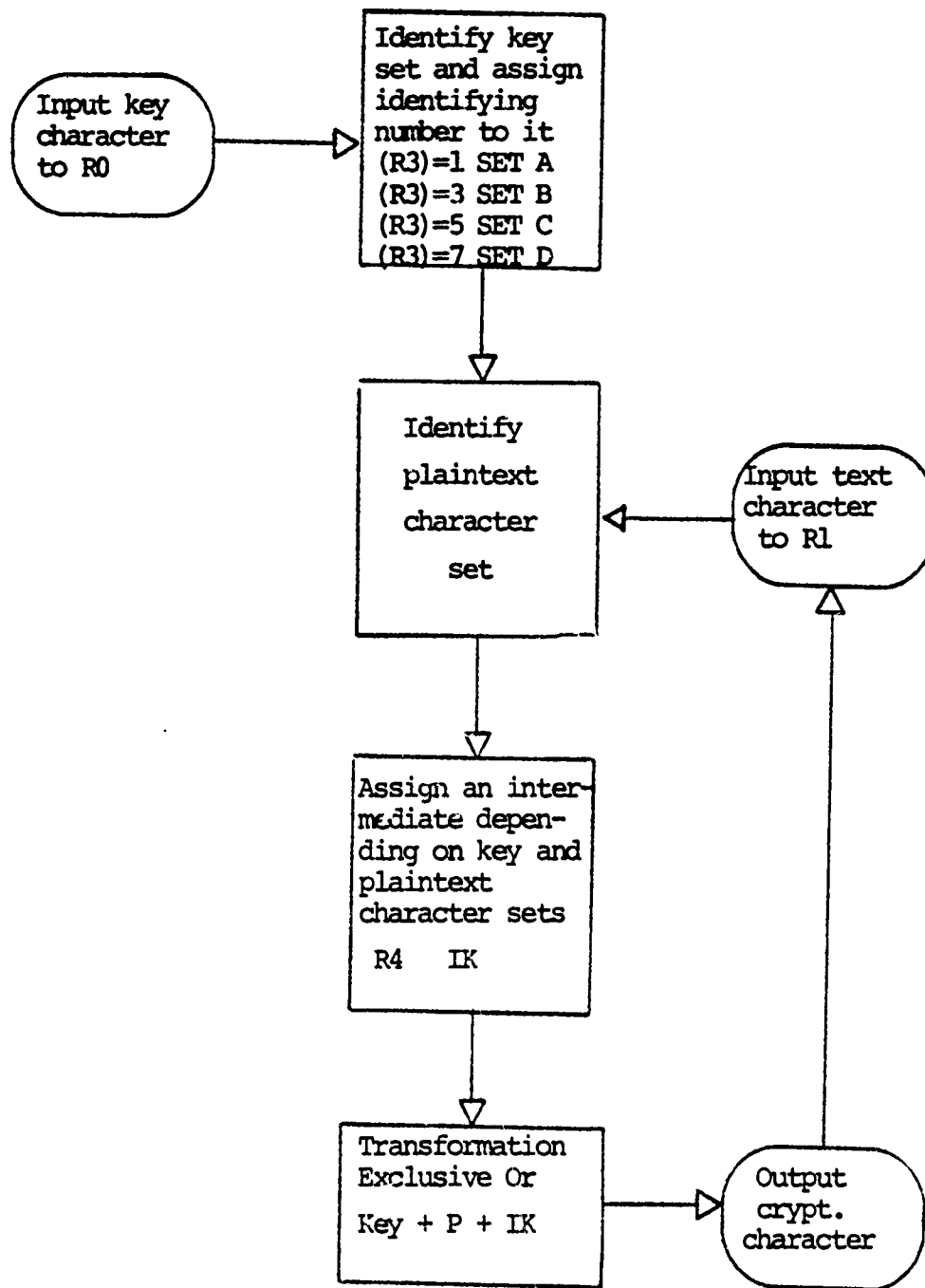


Figure 2. Block diagram of the program for the simple substitution cipher

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a) Plaintext message (input)

NC ^DHUXX\H^DHSRD^PYRSHGE^ZVE^C^NHQXEHBDRHVDHVHQ^EDCHNRVE  
 HPEVSBVCRHCROCH^YH^YQXEZVC^XYHC^RXENHDB^CVUL^RHOXEHUXC^HR  
 YP^YRREDHVYSHZVC^RZVC^T^VYDHNH^CH^DHVDOBZRSHC^VCHC^RHERV  
 SREH^VDHDXZRHBYSREDCVYS^YPHXQHQRD^ZVYHTV^TBC^BDHVYSHR^RZ  
 RYCVENHGEXUVU^C^CNHVYSH^YHC^RHC^VCREHT^VGCREDHDXZRH^YCEXS  
 BTCXENHEVYSXZHGEXTRDDHC^RXENHWHBYQXECBY^VCR^NHC^REPH^DHXY  
 RHZXERHERFB^ERZRYCHC^VCH^DH^VESREHCXHZRRCHWHC^RHERVSRHZ  
 BDCH^VARHVHERVDXYVUL^RHC^RARC^HXQHZVC^RZVC^TV^HZVCBE^CN

b) Cryptogram message (output)

Figure 3. Example of a simple substitution cipher: Encrypting process. Key = W

Alphabetically

A - 7.3%  
B - 0.9  
C - 3.0  
D - 4.4  
E - 13.0  
F - 2.8  
G - 1.6  
H - 3.5  
I - 7.4  
J - 1.2  
K - 0.3  
L - 3.5  
M - 2.5  
N - 7.8  
O - 7.4  
P - 2.7  
Q - 0.3  
R - 7.7  
S - 6.3  
T - 9.3  
U - 2.7  
V - 1.3  
W - 1.6  
X - 0.5  
Y - 1.9  
Z - 0.1

By frequency

E - 13.0%  
T - 9.3  
N - 7.8  
R - 7.7  
I - 7.4  
O - 7.4  
A - 7.3  
S - 6.3  
D - 4.4  
H - 3.5  
L - 3.5  
C - 3.0  
F - 2.8  
P - 2.7  
U - 2.7  
M - 2.5  
Y - 1.9  
G - 1.6  
W - 1.6  
V - 1.3  
B - 0.9  
X - 0.5  
K - 0.3  
Q - 0.3  
J - 0.2  
Z - 0.1

TABLE IV - FREQUENCY OF THE LETTERS OF THE ENGLISH ALPHABET, ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY AND BY FREQUENCY

For each transformation done, the text was analyzed by this program and the results were plotted. In the horizontal axis are the 32 chosen characters in the following order from zero to 31:

@ A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z [ / ] ^ \_

In the vertical axis the percentage of occurrence scale or frequency distribution is plotted.

Examples of these plots are given by Figures 5 to 8. There the frequency distribution of letters for the following languages is plotted:

Figure 4: ENGLISH

Figure 5: SPANISH

Figure 6: FRENCH

Figure 7: ITALIAN

The author has preferred to give the results achieved through this work by presenting these plots rather than giving messages and their cryptograms as examples of what was obtained. Inherent with these plots is an evaluation of the system used in each case. Additional information that will be found in these plots is the standard deviation of percentage of occurrence of the character in each cryptogram.

For the simple substitution cipher, it was expected to obtain similar results as for the plaintext of Figure 5. Figures 8 to 10 show the frequency distribution of characters when this system was used with different keys. As expected, similar results were obtained but with the values changed from one character to another. This occurred since one character or letter has just been replaced by another through these transformations. Table V presenting in tabular form the number of occurrences for these substitutions gives a figure of what has occurred with the messages in each case.

In Section IV, Theory of Secrecy Systems, it was stated that one goal to achieve ideal secrecy was to change the probability structure of natural languages to obtain an equiprobable occurrence of letters. This is the reason why the calculation of standard deviation was considered to evaluate secrecy obtained. Since the language to be used in this present work will be English it may be useful to keep in mind that the standard deviation for an English text is 3.81 as stated in Figure 4.

#### F. PSEUDORANDOM SUBSTITUTION

The simple substitution cipher can also be called monoalphabetic cipher since there is only one alphabet to encipher the message. The cryptanalytic weakness of this cipher is the fact that a given plain language letter is always represented by the same crypto letter.



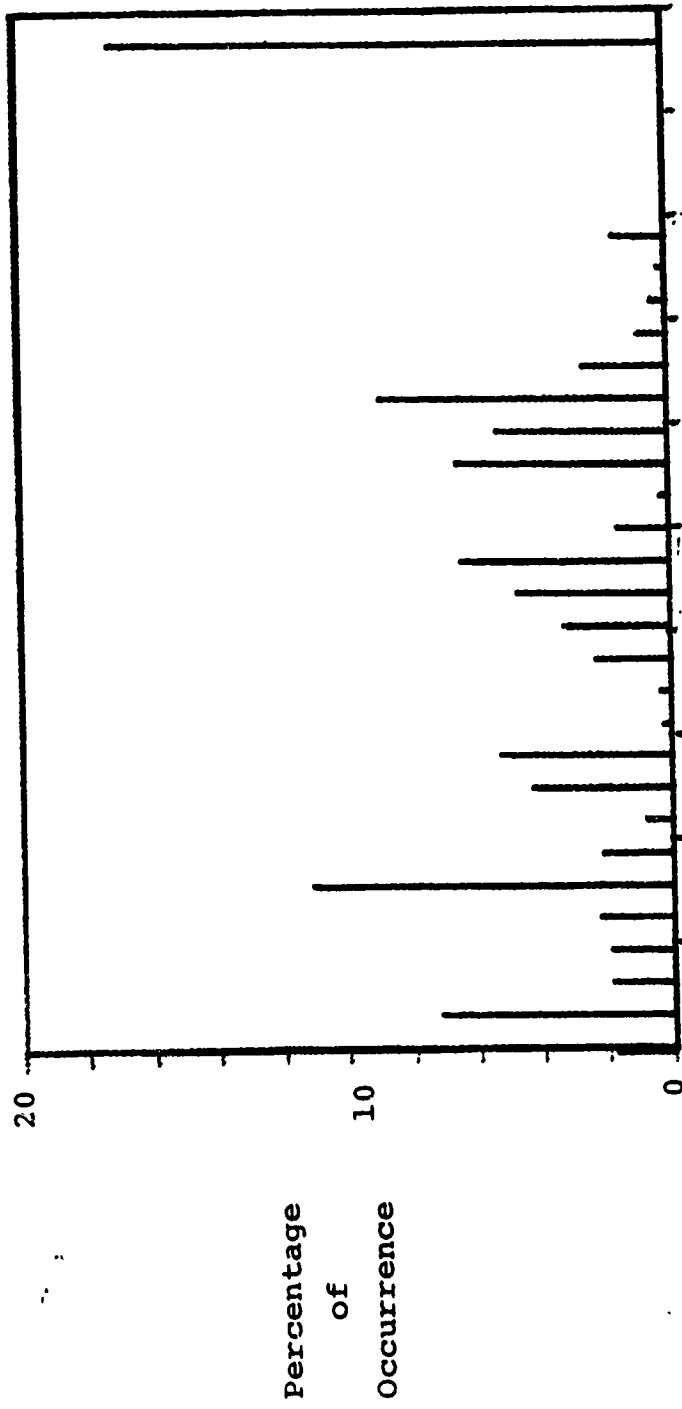


Figure 4. Plaintext English Language  
Standard deviation = 3.81

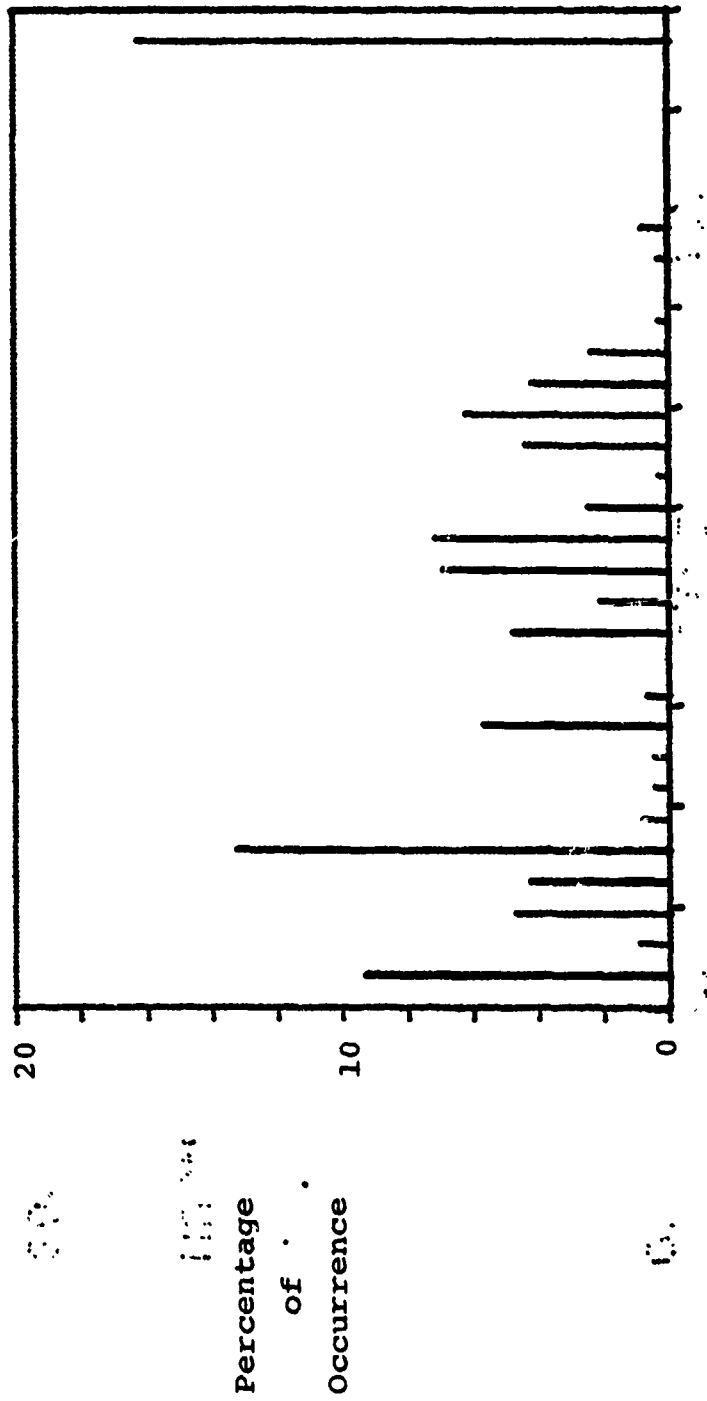


Figure 5. Plaintext Spanish Language  
Standard deviation = 3.972

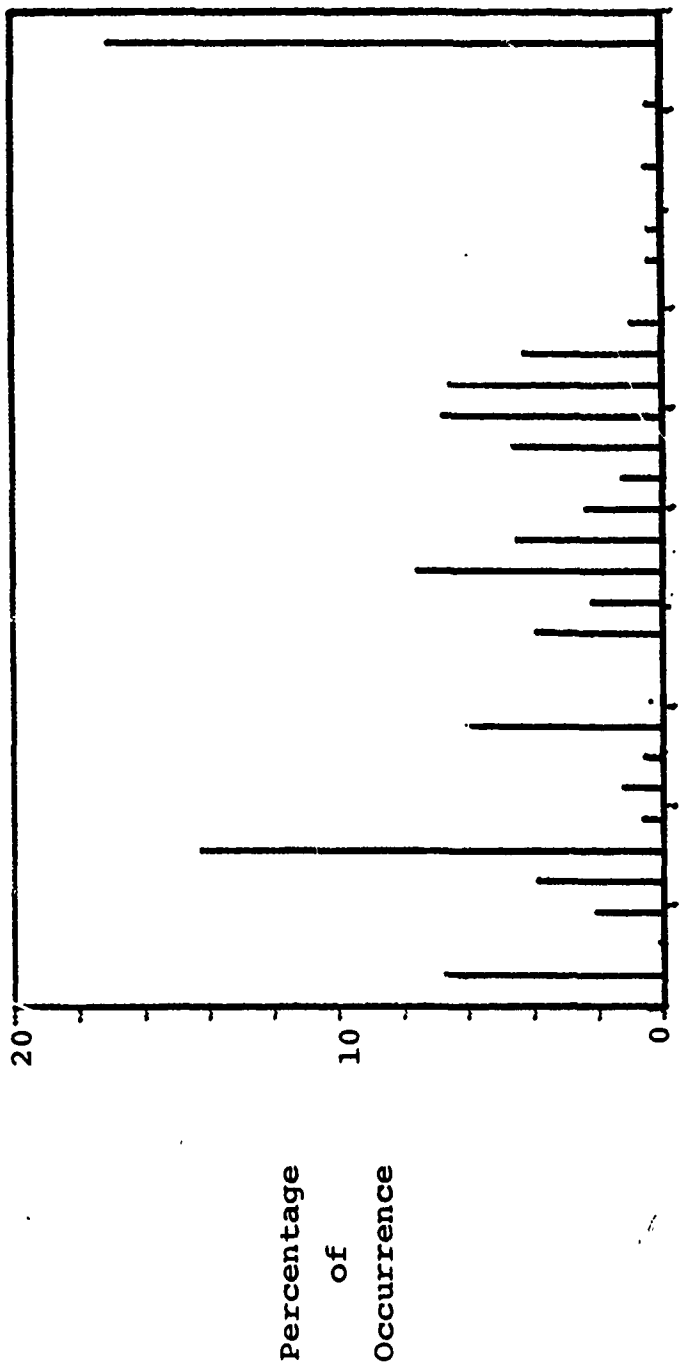


Figure 6. Plaintext French Language  
Standard deviation = 4.037

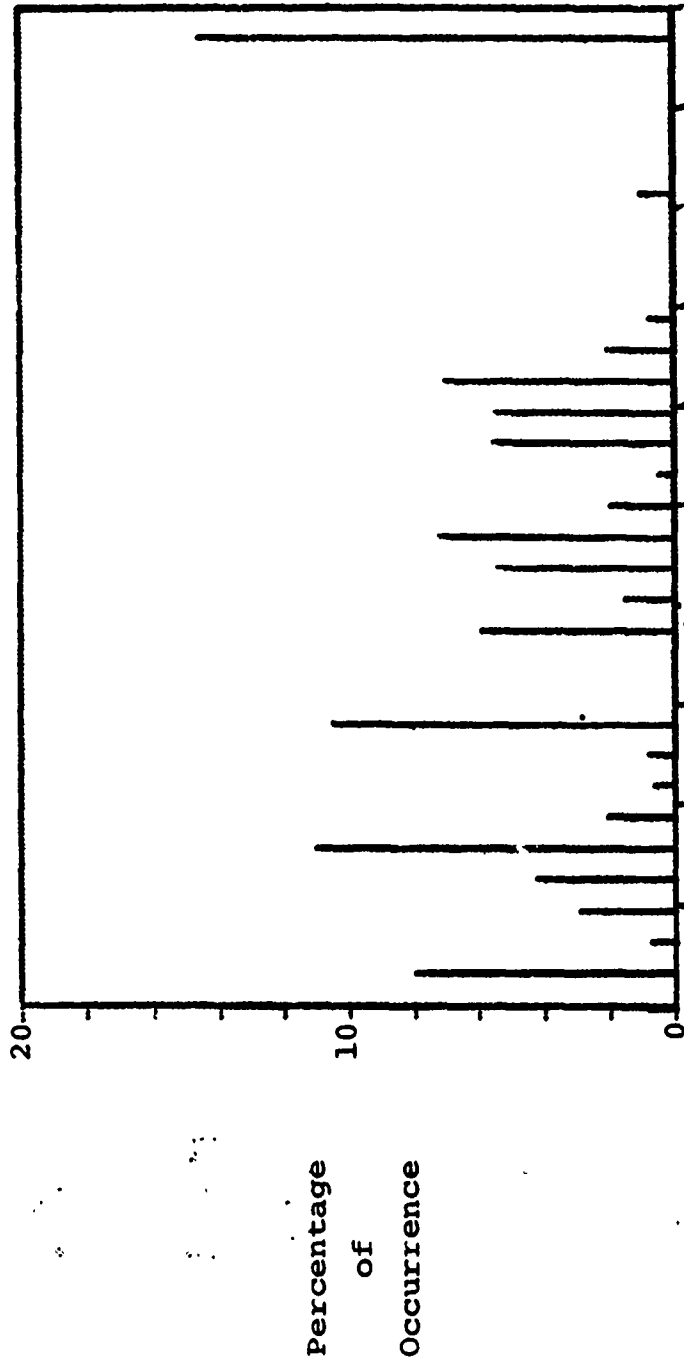


Figure 7. Plaintext Italian Language  
Standard deviation = 3.873

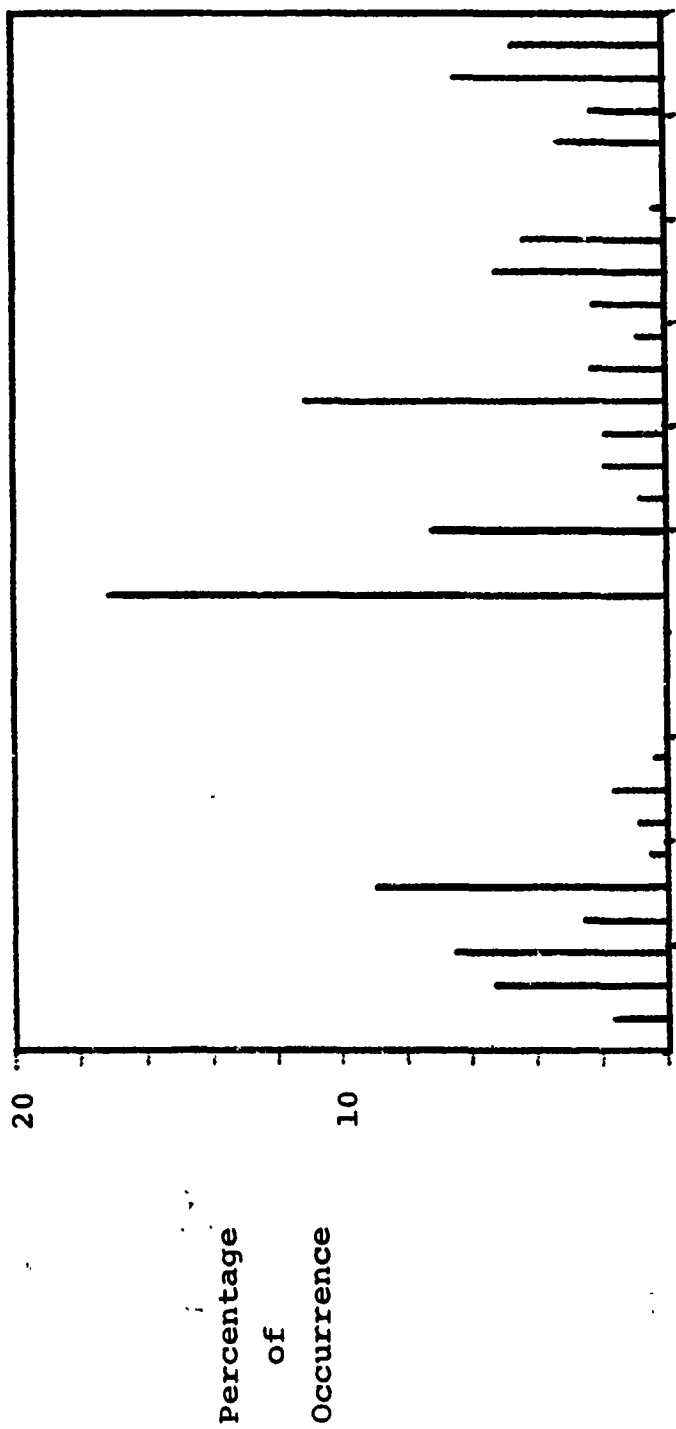


Figure 8. Simple substitution cipher  
 Standard deviation = 3.81  
 Key = A

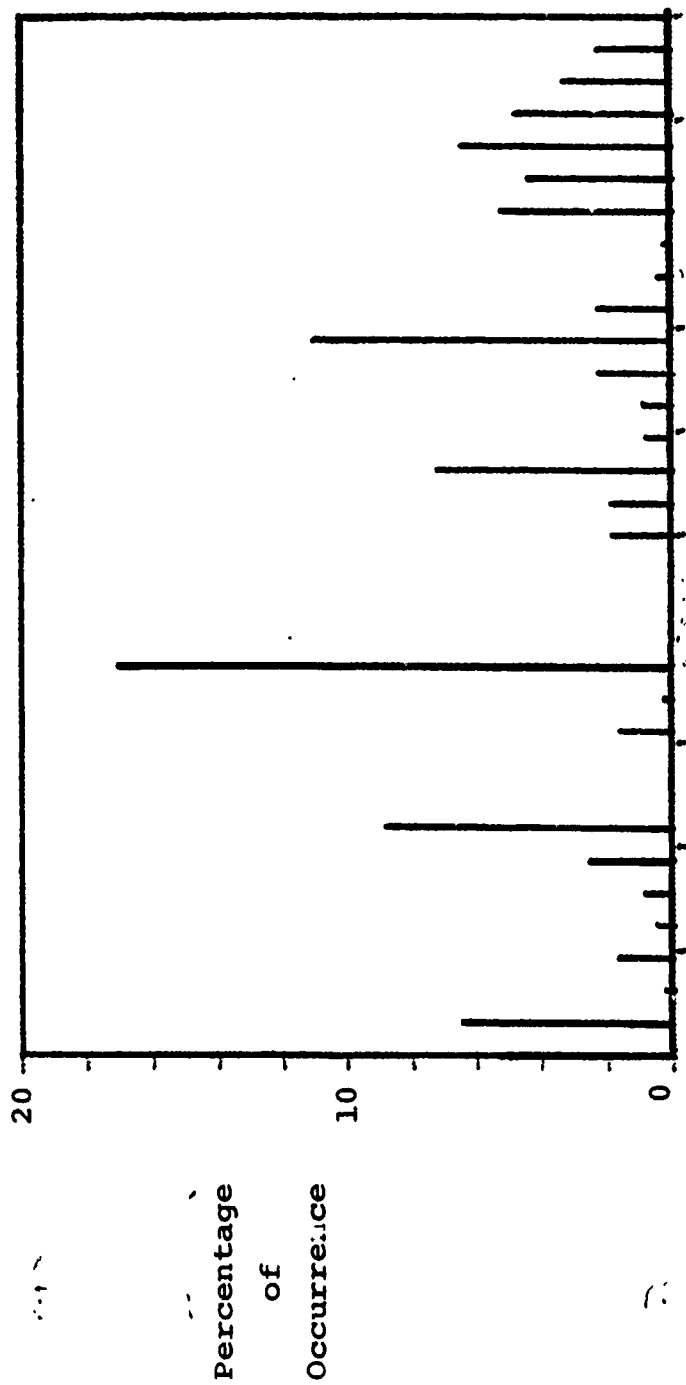


Figure 9. Simple substitution cipher  
 Standard deviation = 3.81  
 Key = C

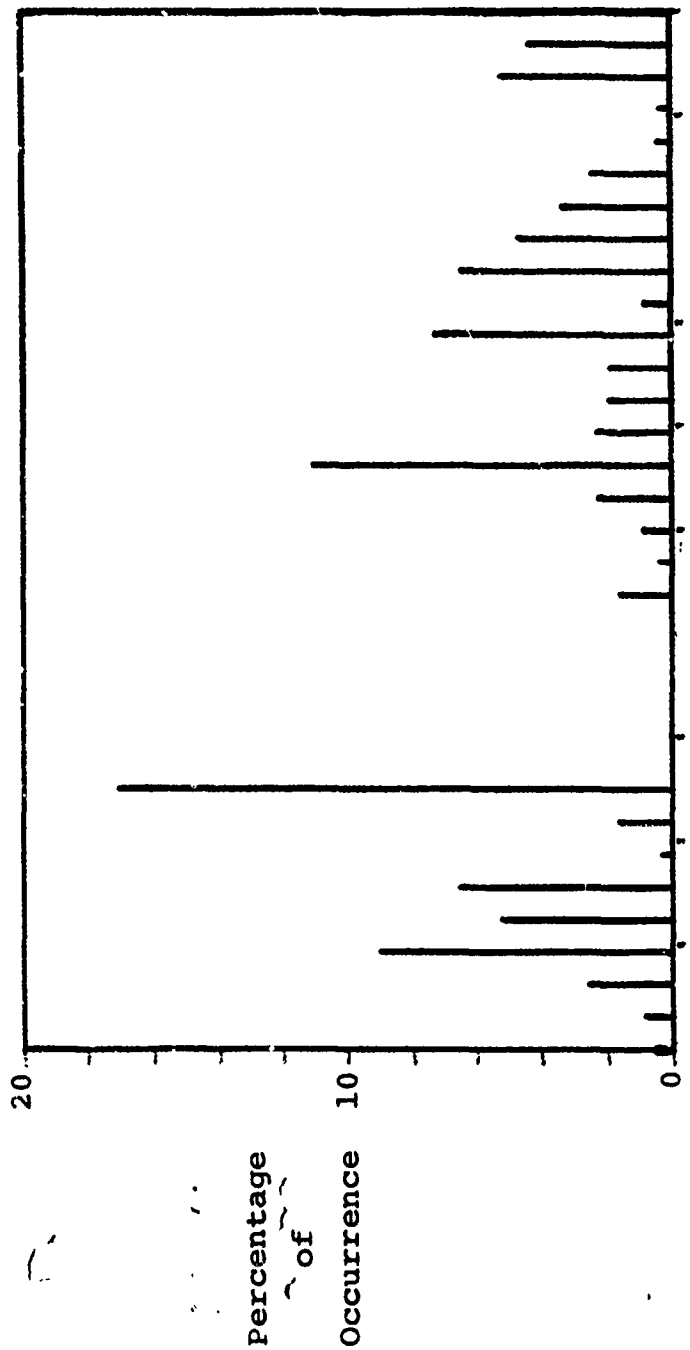


Figure 10. Simple substitution cipher  
 standard deviation = 3.81  
 Key = G

NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES

Character	K E Y					
	@	A	C	G	K	N
@	24	3	77	7	0	0
A	3	24	94	12	0	248
B	94	77	3	37	24	0
C	77	94	24	128	4	0
D	128	37	7	77	248	0
E	37	128	12	94	0	0
F	12	7	37	3	0	4
G	7	12	128	24	0	24
H	4	24	0	248	77	12
I	24	4	0	0	94	7
J	0	0	24	0	3	128
K	0	0	4	0	24	37
L	0	0	248	0	7	94
M	0	0	0	0	12	77
N	0	248	0	24	37	24
O	248	0	0	4	128	3
P	11	105	27	12	3	68
Q	105	11	27	32	3	93
R	27	27	105	160	76	33
S	37	27	11	33	63	48
T	33	160	12	27	93	3
U	160	33	32	27	68	3
V	32	12	160	105	48	63
W	12	32	33	11	33	76
X	63	76	3	93	27	32
Y	76	63	3	68	27	12
Z	3	3	76	48	105	33
[	3	3	63	33	11	160
/	33	48	93	3	12	27
]	48	33	68	3	32	27
^	68	93	48	76	160	11
--	93	68	33	63	33	105

Table No. V .- Simple substitution cipher  
Table of number of occurren\_ ces.



In this section, a digital polyalphabetic substitution very much alike to the Vigenere square, cited by Sinkov [Ref. 17], is designed. The originality of the scheme presented here is the fact that the different alphabets are used in a pseudorandom way and that this is generated through a simple algorithm in the computer.

The basis for the program to realize this cipher is provided by the same algorithm as for the simple substitution case, the only variation being that the key will change for each character to be ciphered. These changes of key are controlled by a program and thus the inverse transformation can be made to decipher by using the same program. This fact that we are using a different key each time is the same as using a new substitution alphabet for each character.

It must be set clear here that the key used was a single letter and not a number of letters equal to the message length. This single letter was used to initialize a register used as a counter. For each new letter of the message the register contents were increased by one each time until a specific number was reached, in which case the register was reset to zero. This specific number is the desired number of alphabets to be used. Figure 11 gives a graphical idea of how this was accomplished. In the figure,  $N$  represents the total number of alphabets to be used; it ranges from one, for a simple substitution, to 32 when using all the possible alphabets.

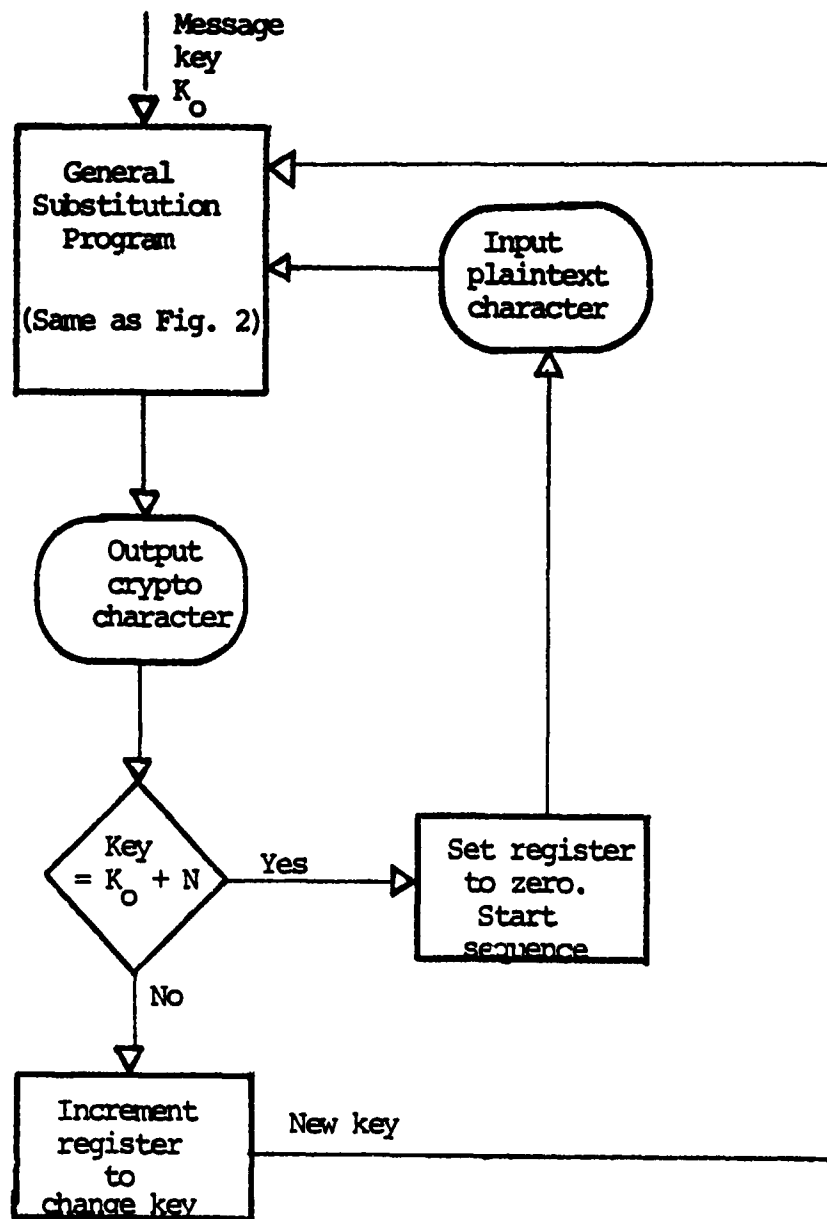


Figure 11. Psuedorandom cipher block diagram

The result expected for this cipher was the origination of an artificial language with 32 possible characters and with a letter frequency different than that of the plaintext message in natural English language.

To observe the results of this cipher two sets of transformations were made:

1. Using 15 alphabets and six different keys.

The keys used were:

- a) @
- b) A
- c) C
- d) G
- e) K
- f) N

2. Using a single key and different number of alphabets, in the following order:

- a) 7 alphabets; key R
- b) 15 alphabets; key R
- c) 23 alphabets; key R
- d) 31 alphabets; key R

Figures 12 and 13 show some results obtained for the first set of transformations as a plot of percentage of occurrence of the 32 different characters. As can be observed, for the six cases, all the characters have a certain number of occurrences in the cryptogram obtained, thus giving rise to an artificial language of 32 characters with a quite different letter frequency than the plaintext of Figure 4.

In the same way, Figures 14 and 15 show some results obtained for the second set of transformations, which are essentially the same as the first set.

A measure of how different these results are from the plaintext is provided by the standard deviations in each case and are here listed to provide a means of evaluating the results achieved:

<u>Number of alphabets</u>	<u>Key</u>	<u>Std. Deviation</u>
15	@	1.528
15	A	1.528
15	C	1.528
15	G	1.528
15	K	1.528
15	N	1.528
7	R	1.467
15	R	1.545
23	R	1.407
31	R	1.329

These standard deviation values compared with the 3.81 for the plaintext, represent a significant flattening of the percentage of occurrence plots, or in other words, the cryptogram has a more equiprobable letter frequency.

A significant property of this scheme if we envision it as part of a digital communication system, is the fact that it offers no error propagation during the message processing.

The reason for this is the fact that each character is operated upon independently from all others. Thus, if there is an error in the bit representation of a letter, there will be an error in its transformation to crypto character or in the decryption of it and no error will occur in other characters due to it.

In the next section, a cryptographic scheme will be presented that although contributing to the communication system degradation, gives better results in the sense that a nearly equiprobable artificial language is achieved which represents a significant achievement for security of data transmission and/or data storage.

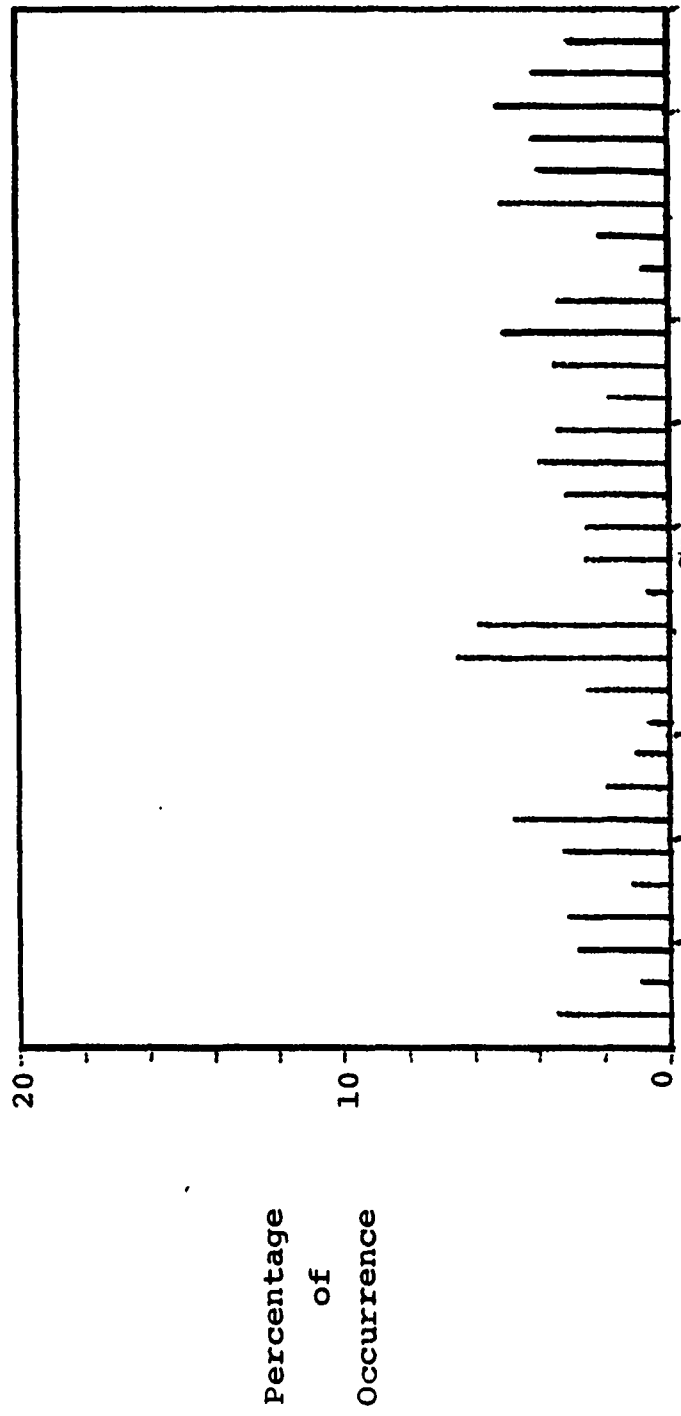


Figure 12. Pseudorandom cipher (Polyalphabetic substitution)  
 Standard deviation = 1.528  
 Number of alphabets: 15  
 Key = C

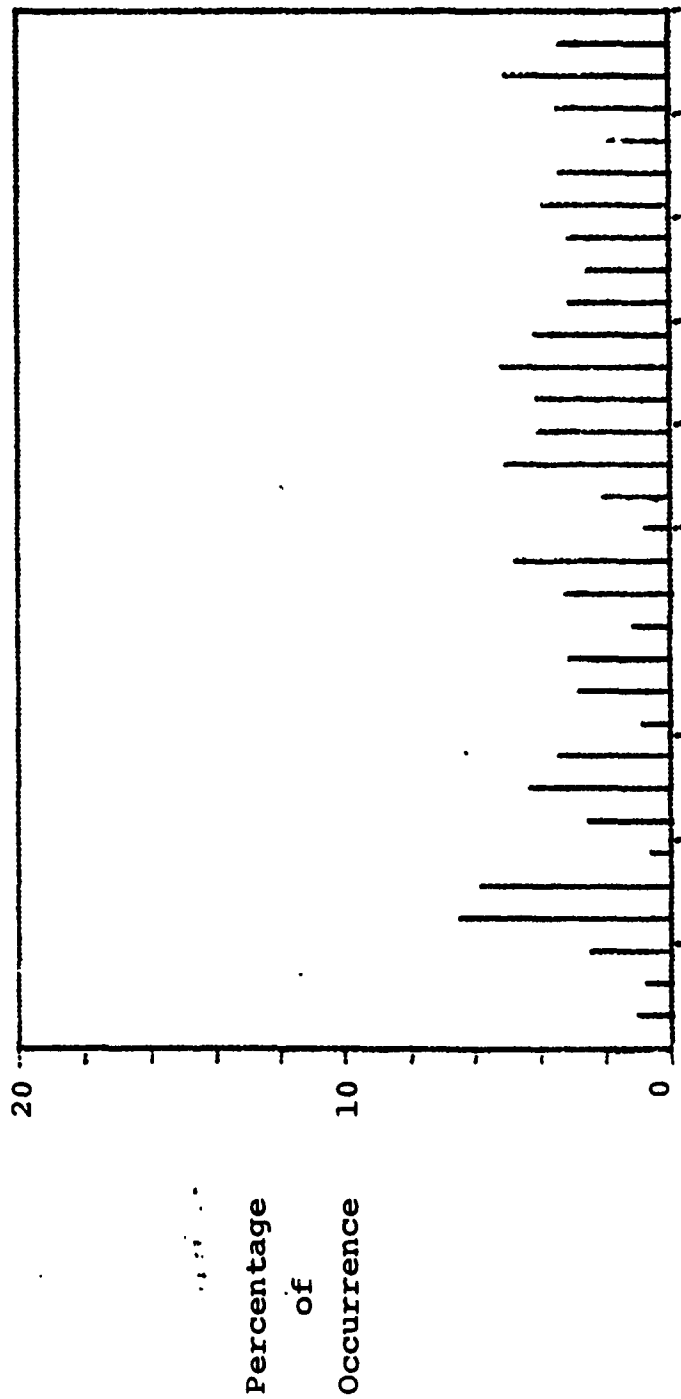


Figure 13. Pseudorandom cipher (Polyalphabetic substitution)  
 Standard deviation = 1.528  
 Number of alphabets: 15  
 Key = K

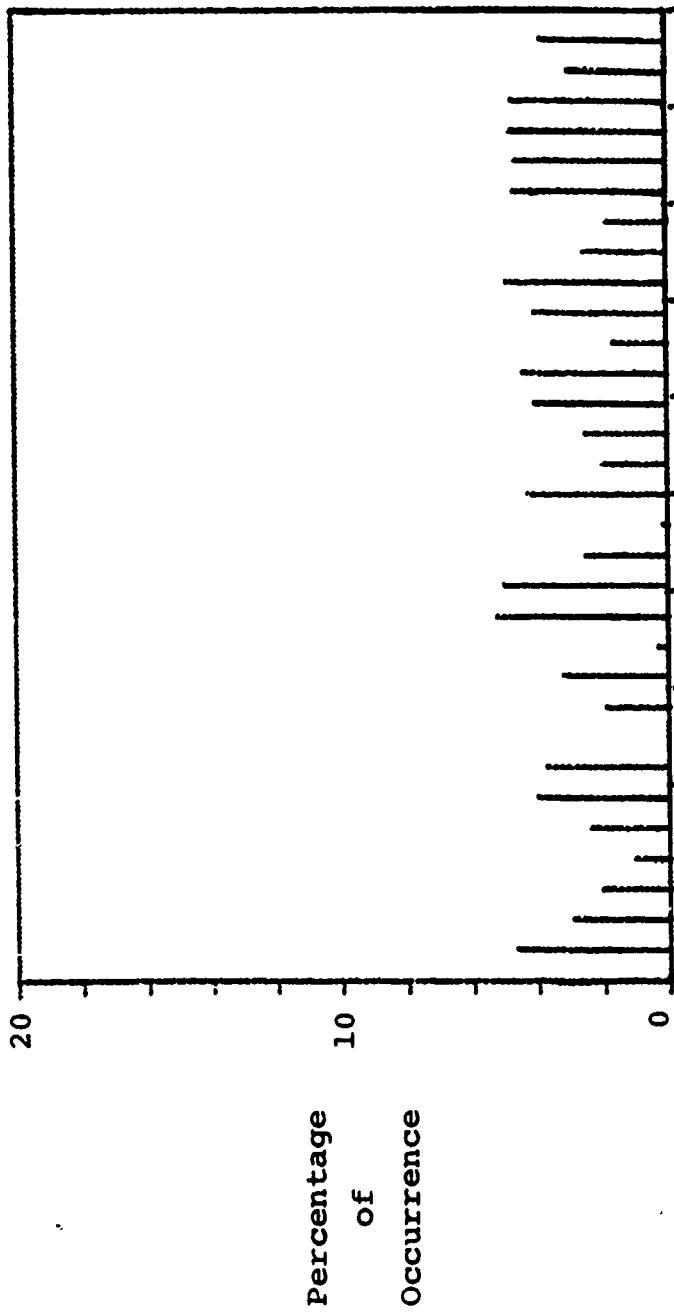


Figure 14. Pseudorandom cipher  
 Standard deviation = 1.467  
 Number of alphabets: 7  
 Key = R



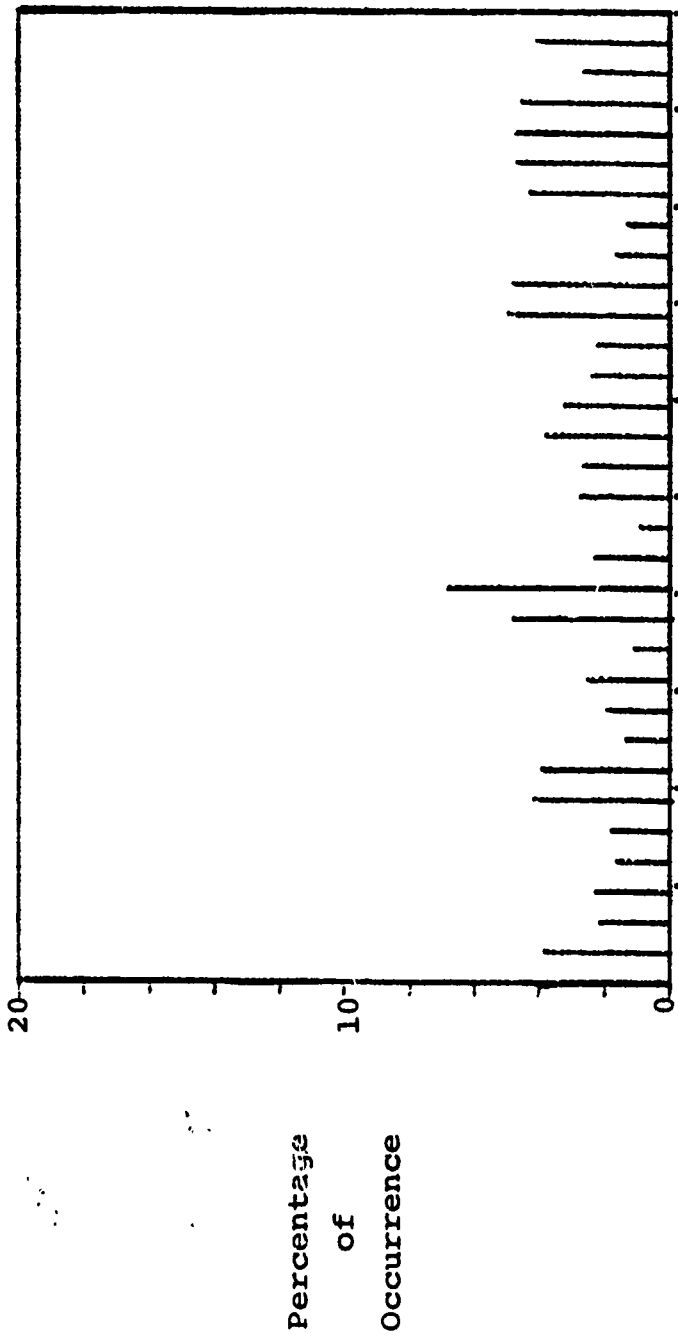


Figure 15. Pseudorandom cipher  
 Standard deviation = 1.407  
 Number of alphabets: 23  
 Key = R

## VI. THE DATA-KEYED CIPHER

### A. INTRODUCTION

In this section the data-keyed cipher is presented. First, a very general description of the system is given. Then the transfer function concept of the cipher and the reversibility and consistency of its is explained, together with the equated logical form of the transformation which the author appreciates as being a very meaningful representation of the cipher in logical form. After that the computer realization is presented in block diagram form. The test procedure for valuating secrecy accomplished and significant results are then given. Finally, the communication system degradation due to it is analyzed.

### B. DESCRIPTION AND REALIZATION

Section IV explains how the PDP-11/40 computer is handled to realize the simple substitution cipher, consistency was shown with some examples and further, the known cryptanalytic weakness of it was explained and graphically represented by Fig. 4 where it can be observed the frequency distribution of the plaintext and of some cryptograms and their similarity can be established.

The data-keyed cipher can be explained in a general form as the scrambling of the bits of a character by operating on them by past characters, either of the plaintext, when ciphering, or of the cryptogram, when deciphering.

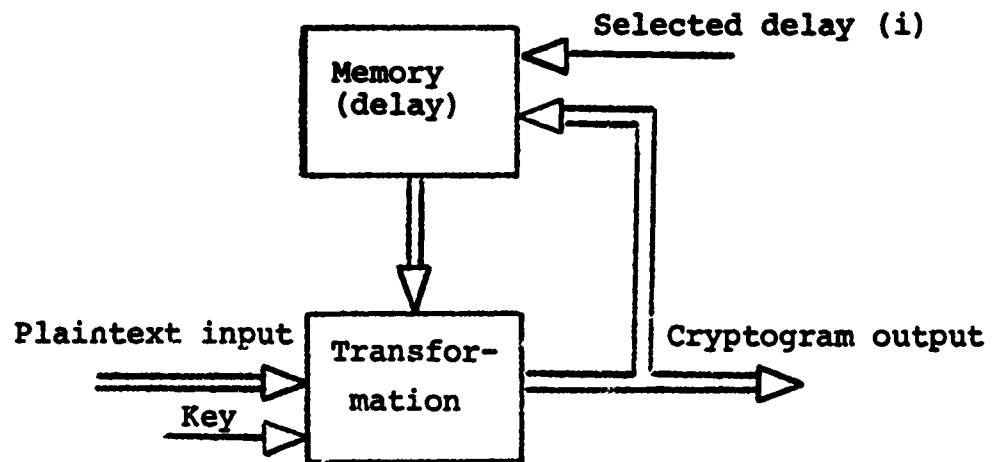
Provided these past characters are far enough apart in the sequence their operation on the character to be transformed will result in a nearly random transformation. This idea was supported by the fact that for far enough distance between two letters in a written language there is nearly no statistical dependence between them.

Figure 16 provides the conceptual idea of this cipher. At this point, two significant characteristics that distinguish this cipher are to be emphasized:

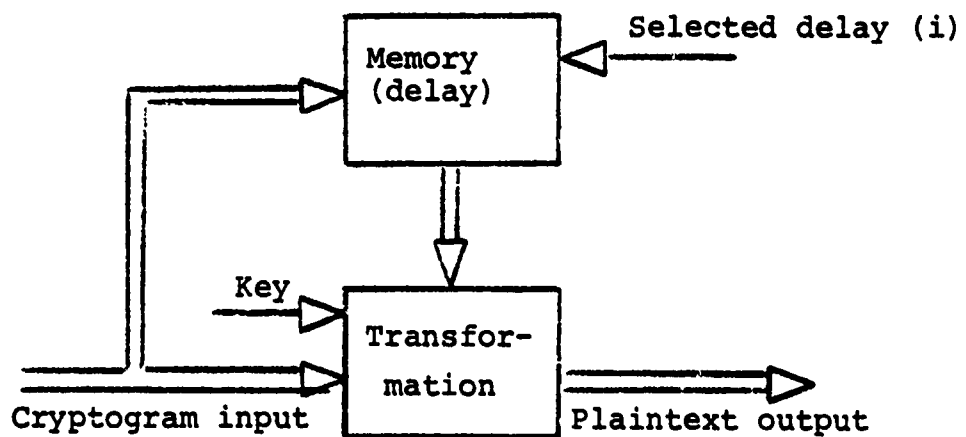
1. From Figure 16(a) and (b) it can be seen that both diagrams can be conceived as a transfer function that essentially perform similar transformations on their inputs. An advantage is that when this is realized in the computer by a program, the same program will execute both transformations; that of ciphering and deciphering.

2. From Figure 16(b) it can be observed that there is no feedback present, that is, the outputs are not dependent on past outputs. The significance of this fact will be considered at the end of this section when system degradation for this cipher is treated.

The realization of this ciphering scheme again uses the basic transformations presented in Section IV, plus additional steps are included to accomplish the data-keyed function. The conceptual idea given in Figure 16 can now be expressed in logical equated form as:



a) Enciphering



b) Deciphering

Figure 16. Data-Keyed Cipher-Concept

CIPHERING :  $C_j = (K + C_{j-1}) + P_j$

DECIPHERING :  $P_j = (K + C_{j-1}) + C_j$

where

$P_j$  = present plaintext character

$C_j$  = present crypto character

$C_{j-1}$  = "i" times preceding crypto character

K = key character

Again the operator used is the Exclusive-Or. These logical equations show the reversibility of the transformation and thus its consistency.

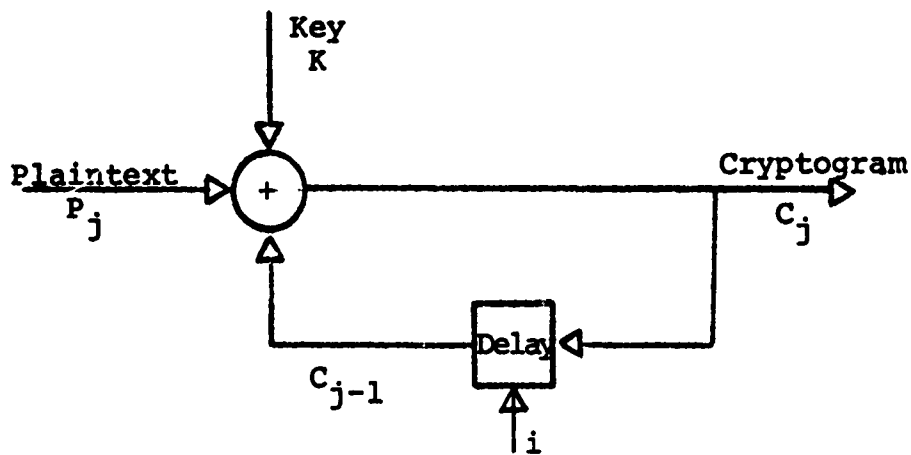
Figure 17 is now presented to give a more significant representation of the transformation to be realized. The index "i" is selective and it represents the distance between characters already explained.

Figure 18 shows the block diagram of the realization of this cipher in the PDP-11/40.

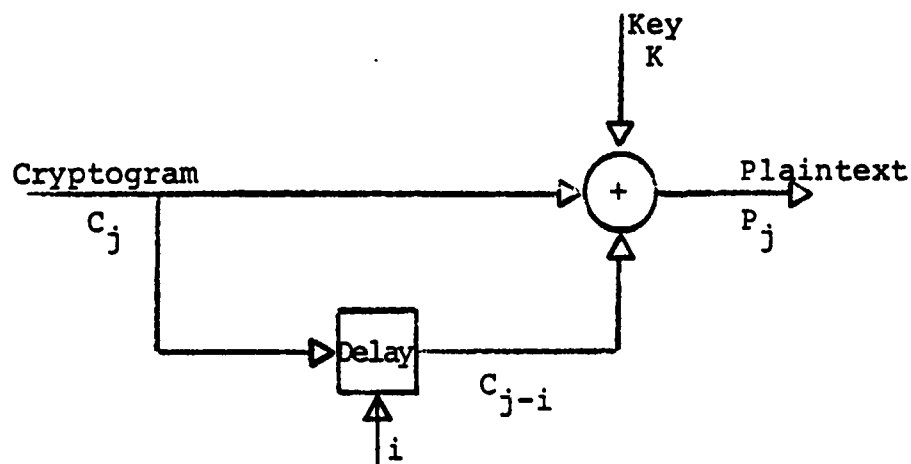
Appendix D gives the complete listing of the program used.

### C. TEST PROCEDURE

The plaintext message used to test the results of this cipher scheme was the one presented in Section IV with its



a) Ciphcring:  $C_j = (K + C_{j-i}) + P_j$



b) Deciphering:  $P_j = (K + C_{j-i}) + C_j$

Figure 17. Data-Keyed Cipher-Realization

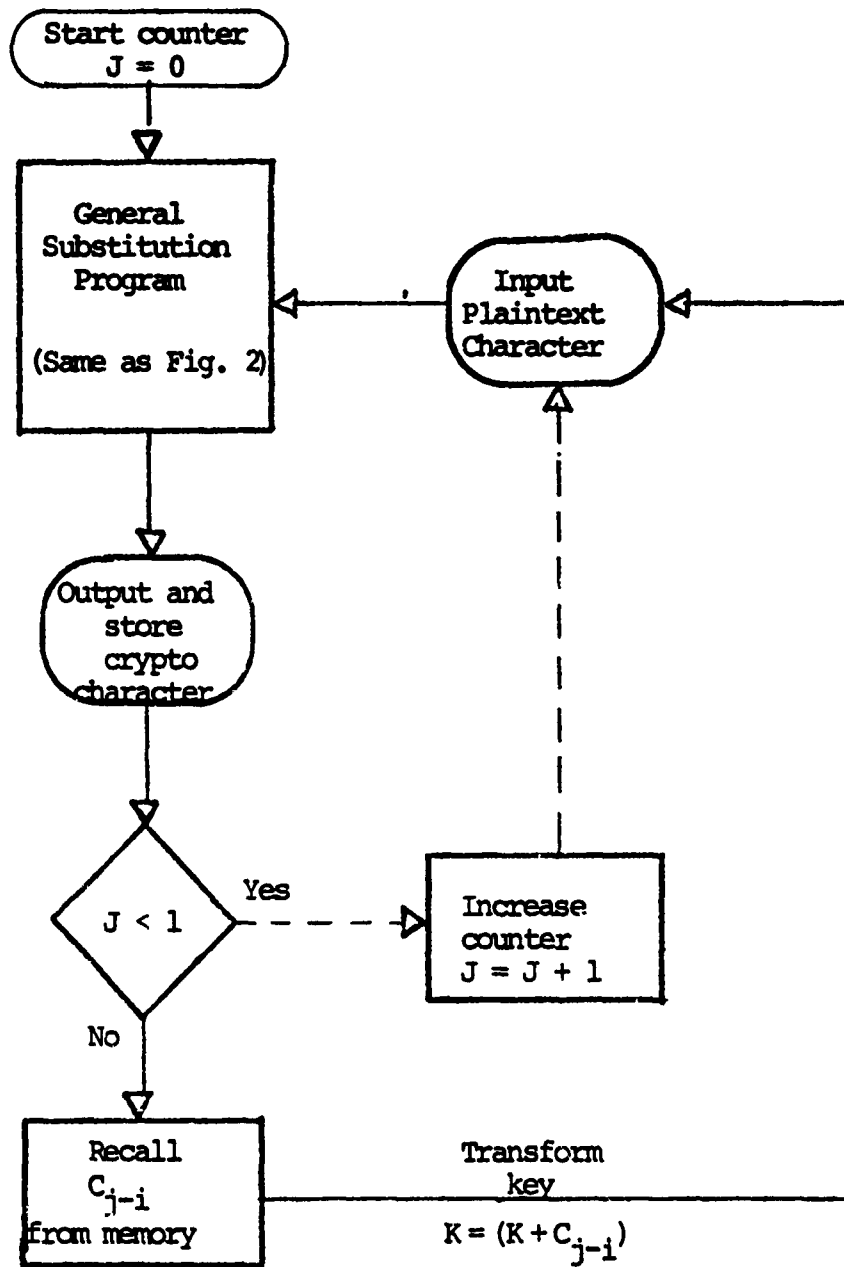


Figure 18. Data-Keyed Cipher-Block Diagram

statistics representative of the English language as shown in Figure 4.

This cipher, as depicted by Figure 17, has two possible choices of variables, namely:

- The key, with a total of 32.
- The delay factor "i" which could be varied from

zero, for a simple substitution; up to any number n.

However, for any choice of n there will be the same amount of simple substitution characters at the beginning of the cryptogram. This disadvantage can be avoided by using for the first letters of the plaintext, meaningless text.

As for the simple substitution case, the intermediate keys were selected to reflect the transformations between sets C and D of Table II.

To observe the results obtained with this cipher two sets of transformations were made:

1. Using a fixed value of "i" and six different keys.

For  $i = 7$  and the keys:

- a) @
- b) A
- c) C
- d) G
- e) K
- f) N



2. For a fixed key and the following values of "i"

(Key = J):

- a) i = 2
- b) i = 3
- c) i = 10
- d) i = 13
- e) i = 17
- f) i = 20

#### D. RESULTS

The results obtained for this cipher were, in all cases, significantly better than the Pseudorandom cipher of the previous section in the sense that the standard deviations were much lower, thus obtaining a nearly equiprobable text of cryptograms.

For the test procedure established, the following were the specific results obtained:

1. For a fixed value of "i" and using 6 out of 32 possible keys the following were the values of standard deviation obtained:

<u>Key</u>	<u>"i"</u>	<u>Standard deviation</u>
@	7	0.5783
A	7	0.6301
C	7	0.5395
G	7	0.5651
K	7	0.5608
N	7	0.6015

Figures 22 and 23 are some example plots for these cases. These figures are shown at the end of this section.

2. For a fixed key, different values of "i" were tried. The values of standard deviation obtained in each case were:

<u>Key</u>	<u>"i"</u>	<u>Standard deviation</u>
J	2	0.5761
J	3	0.5344
J	10	0.528
J	13	0.5317
J	17	0.4609
J	20	0.501

Figures 24 and 25 are some example plots for these cases and are presented at the end of this section.

We can now compare these results with the statistics of a plaintext English message with a standard deviation of 3.81 (see Figure 4). A significant flattening of the percentage of occurrence plots has occurred. In addition the statistical dependence of occurrence of the letter in the message has been hidden. The reason for this will be explained in the last part of this section where the nature of the ciphering scheme is explained in detail, together with the inherent degradation to a communication system due to it.

In Section IV it was stated, from Shannon [Ref. 15], that an ideal cipher may be an artificial language in which all letters are equiprobable and successive letters occurring independently. This is nearly the case for this cipher. Now a simple substitution, such as the one presented in Section V, can be performed on the message without making it easier to decipher.

3. A very meaningful characteristic of this scheme was the fact that the same program recovers or deciphers the message. Figures 19 and 20 present two examples of the encrypting results after being processed by the program corresponding to this cipher.

To give an idea of the number of occurrences of each character in the cryptograms for each of the 12 cases of (1) and (2), Tables VI and VII are next presented.

4. The implementation of this cipher in a digital computer can also be seen as the implementation of a code where the transformations are dependent on a key (a letter or character), the present letter to be encoded and some past crypto character.

#### E. COMMUNICATION SYSTEM DEGRADATION

Due to the nature of the process of ciphering and deciphering of this system, it can be said that when it comes to play an integral part of a communication system, it, at the most, will double the probability of block error. Here the block length has been 8 bits corresponding to a

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a) Plaintext message (input)

CGI Z@LQ\ \ GP@@VZLUS JYWJIM \_ J G JUCAZONKKEUMXABYGF LLHFNCORN  
 @\GSTGPIV@@Z@LSI LBNZ\ M JYKPI W@JY WAAK@L\HUP^ JLYPI IORJNEV  
 T JI \NODFH VX@ VASVXZGUVI QTHFTI\LM^HJVILJSX FAR^MOOTPMOX  
 XYELVQHCHUC ZJGUT^DKMXZR^SPGQ JFWOU@ \ \_ [ K \_ \ IPMKCUR EYR ] ]  
 S \_ LMGHANBS JUVR^TEIANI UB^XEF\ JI J\OSG@ JR LOHUF@ABSQ^ I\ JFC LV  
 HYK@GICGZT\ JYE@FYTZMI IG JPKKGEZKK ] JWFBLVYJ [ XLNK ] \_ K JDYNGOR  
 JAZZOOMCI CLPNWSUVD@GUUDI\DL\WDS\_MHKPKZUYJDXLLOSEKRZ [ Z@O  
 MBMGQRJ JAPAFWPJQ\RPYQLUNIT\_E JYIY [ CTSS [ NSI [ OI [ OJYIEJ [ LE

b) Cryptogram message (output)

Figure 19. Data-Keyed cipher  
 Encrypting process

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a) Plaintext message (input)

D@X JGKVII GP@@VZLRTZQPMNJ J G JUCA JVILLBFXABYGP LOAIDVUI  
 G\G\TGPIVGG JHGKT\LNZ\N JYLV\PGMOXWAAK@L\HRWYZK^NNIQRJWEV  
 TZ\X[VCAO VX@ VAS^ J@R@VTHFTI\LMYOMQNKMTX FARC^MOHSHJD X  
 .VELVQHCHR\ J@RSYDKMXZR^SN@VEZAPHR@ \ [K WXI NWJLDRP[EVR]]  
 SXKP@OFIES JUVROTENFP\REY\_EF\ JI J\OT@GZUXHOUF@ABSQ^NI ZADXQ  
 QYKQIGCGZSE Z^BGAQTZMIIG JP\_L@B JLLZ JWFBLVYJ\ KILZXL JQVNGOR  
 JF J JHVJD\CLPNHSUVCG@RRONI DL\NDS\_MQLWL JF^NDXLL@SEKUN JGH\  
 JBMGQRJ JAWFAPNMVI RPYOLUWISXBZ^N^CTSSI NSI V\HZ^NBMLE

b) Cryptogram message (output)

Figure 20. Data-Keyed cipher  
 Encrypting process

NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES

Character	KEY ( i = 7 )					
	@	A	C	G	K	N
@	36	33	40	46	45	32
A	35	38	37	40	40	34
B	35	40	33	32	32	42
C	55	50	51	52	53	50
D	47	42	56	50	42	48
E	46	51	52	49	46	59
F	47	55	41	42	44	47
G	50	42	41	40	46	36
H	41	35	48	35	43	41
I	38	44	44	38	41	52
J	34	41	28	31	29	33
K	47	40	40	44	38	34
L	44	37	34	47	48	37
M	42	49	39	45	45	47
N	29	29	32	29	29	33
O	32	32	42	38	37	33
P	51	37	47	38	36	45
Q	43	57	48	44	48	51
R	50	55	45	43	61	58
S	58	53	62	60	61	50
T	53	39	42	51	49	46
U	40	54	43	47	50	41
V	51	51	48	50	52	63
W	38	38	49	51	50	53
X	59	62	45	54	56	47
Y	64	61	53	56	53	49
Z	43	37	54	40	38	50
[	37	43	51	51	52	36
/	52	40	46	37	39	43
]	51	63	58	55	51	60
^	52	52	46	60	42	58
_	52	52	57	57	56	44

Table No. VI .- Data-keyed cipher  
Table of number of  
occurrences.

Character	NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES					
	" i " VALUES ( KEY = J )					
	2	3	10	13	17	20
@	37	42	40	32	42	46
A	41	40	36	35	41	48
B	48	39	49	34	36	40
C	44	37	38	40	29	39
D	34	43	47	41	41	50
E	43	41	46	49	50	47
F	47	43	35	47	42	48
G	45	46	48	39	40	33
H	48	39	44	33	48	38
I	38	36	34	53	45	35
J	32	54	36	46	42	38
K	52	42	40	38	41	31
L	41	42	37	38	40	38
M	37	41	34	44	36	36
N	45	28	52	48	35	42
O	26	45	42	41	50	49
P	44	46	49	59	51	50
Q	36	52	58	50	48	45
R	61	36	46	53	47	45
S	46	65	37	56	48	62
T	60	62	43	43	52	48
U	49	50	47	54	56	50
V	54	44	45	55	40	55
W	46	50	62	38	50	49
X	43	58	53	36	46	44
Y	49	42	51	49	49	52
Z	44	45	41	49	57	54
[	44	57	53	55	49	36
/	60	50	48	40	39	45
]	54	42	62	46	55	55
^	52	50	55	55	53	56
--	52	45	44	56	54	48

Table No. VII.- Data-keyed cipher  
Table of number of  
occurrences.

byte. It must be emphasized that, although for ease of computer realization the 8-bit byte was used to represent a letter; only 5 bits could have been enough since we are using only 32 letters or characters.

This increase in probability of error can be said to be significant but with the availability of error correcting codes the initial probability of error can be reduced as desired and appropriately so that doubling it when using the cryptosystem will not be that significant. Further, since a computer is being used to implement it, it also can be used to realize a suitable error correcting scheme. In the next section, a suitable error correcting scheme is presented, that will essentially overcome this degradation.

The examples that follow are intended to explain how the probability of block error is doubled and also the existence of a transient simple substitution for the first "i" characters.

Based on these two examples the following observations can be made:

1. There is a transient simple substitution for the first "i" characters when enciphering. This is the case of  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$  and  $C_3$  from Example 1.
2. After the transient simple substitution, the crypto characters are a result of a number of plaintext characters. And, the higher the index of the crypto to be obtained, the more the number of plaintext characters on which it depends.



Example No. 1

Enciphering process

$$\text{Transformation: } C_j = (K + C_{j-i}) + P_j$$

Plaintext sequence:  $P_1, P_2, P_3, P_4, P_5, P_6, P_7, P_8, P_9$

Let  $i = 3$

$$C_1 = K + P_1$$

$$C_2 = K + P_2$$

$$C_3 = K + P_3$$

$$C_4 = K + C_1 + P_4 = K + (K + P_1) + P_4 = P_1 + P_4$$

$$C_5 = K + C_2 + P_5 = K + (K + P_2) + P_5 = P_2 + P_5$$

$$C_6 = K + C_3 + P_6 = K + (K + P_3) + P_6 = P_3 + P_6$$

$$C_7 = K + C_4 + P_7 = K + (P_1 + P_4) + P_7$$

$$C_8 = K + C_5 + P_8 = K + (P_2 + P_5) + P_8$$

$$C_9 = K + C_6 + P_9 = K + (P_3 + P_6) + P_9$$

$$C_{10} = K + C_7 + P_{10} = P_1 + P_4 + P_7 + P_{10}$$

$$C_{11} = K + C_8 + P_{11} = P_2 + P_5 + P_8 + P_{11}$$

$$C_{12} = K + C_9 + P_{12} = P_3 + P_6 + P_9 + P_{12}$$

$$C_{13} = K + C_{10} + P_{13} = K + P_1 + P_4 + P_7 + P_{10} + P_{13}$$

...

Example No. 2

Deciphering process

$$\text{Transformation: } P_j = (K + C_{j-i}) + C_j$$

Cryptogram sequence:  $C_1, C_2, C_3, C_4, C_5, C_6, C_7, C_8, C_9$

Let  $i = 3$ , as before

$$P_1 = K + C_1$$

$$P_2 = K + C_2$$

$$P_3 = K + C_3$$

$$P_4 = K + C_4 + C_1$$

$$P_5 = K + C_5 + C_2$$

$$P_6 = K + C_6 + C_3$$

$$P_7 = K + C_7 + C_4$$

$$P_8 = K + C_8 + C_5$$

. . .

$$P_n = K + C_n + C_{n-i}$$

3. The order of dependency observed in Example 1 is different for the deciphering case, where the recovering of the text is just dependent on two crypto characters. Thus, one error in the crypto sequence will just give rise to two errors in the plaintext.

Figure 21 gives an example of the transient simple substitution explained. The value of "i" chosen there is 50. As an example it can be observed here that for the first 50 characters of the plaintext the letter R is always substituted by the letter C.

THIS IS AN EXAMPLE OF A CYCLIC ERROR CORRECTING CODE APPLIED TO A CIPHERED MESSAGE. NOISE GENERATED IN A PROGRAM IS MODULO TWO ADDED TO THE MESSAGE TO TEST THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE CODE.

a) Plaintext

Transient substitution

REYXBNXBNP\_NTIPVAJTNWNPNRHRJXPNTCCCNROOCTREN\_VNRCUOGNC  
OUZZUARKEZGPBSUEWZDZU@N@ONTZJMMOJY@ZMUPJOK\_LCZ@CIXMNFV  
QND\_LBL[PCWZD@FPBPZJP\_DHSOH\_TDQOBQOJIMOYNHZNKMOY\_LBPVPPJG  
TH\_LWEHJ^ONGY^CROOR

b) Cryptogram

Figure 21. Data-keyed Cipher - Example of transient substitution.  $i = 50$ .

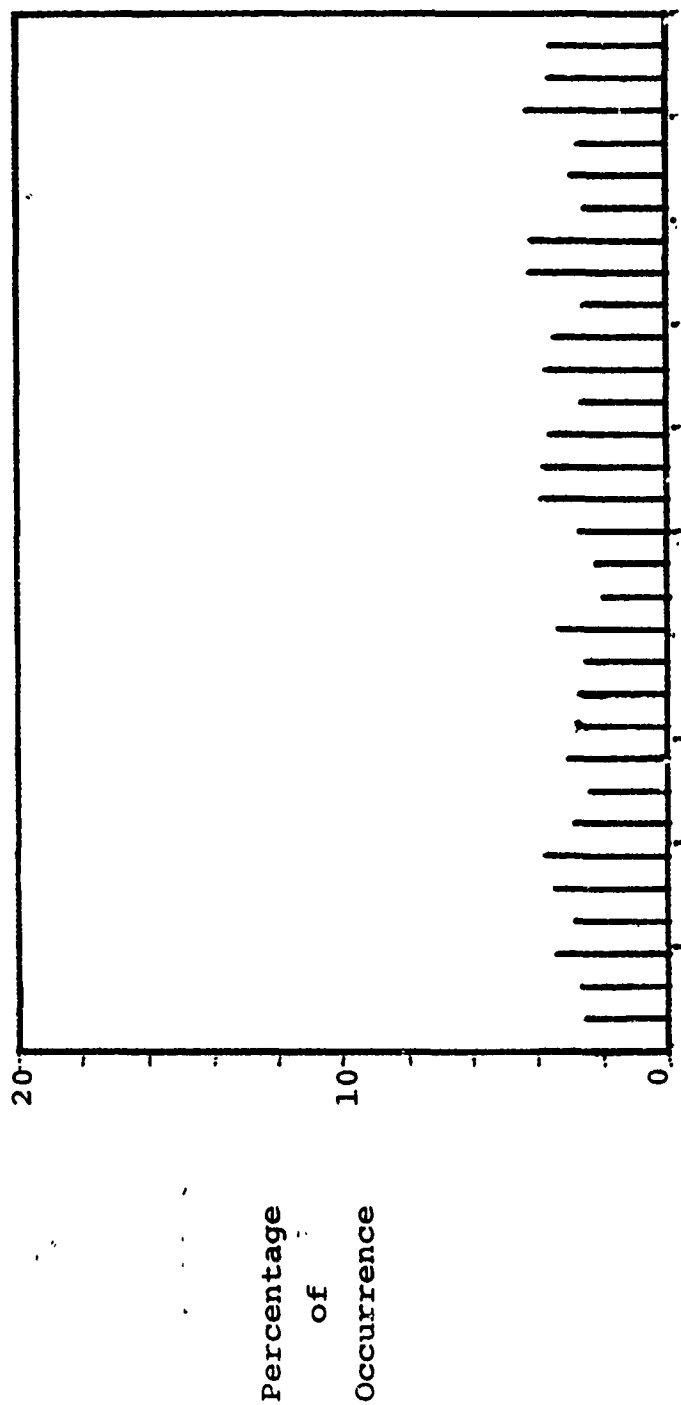


Figure 22. Data-keyed cipher  
 Standard deviation = 0.6301  
 Key = A      i = 7

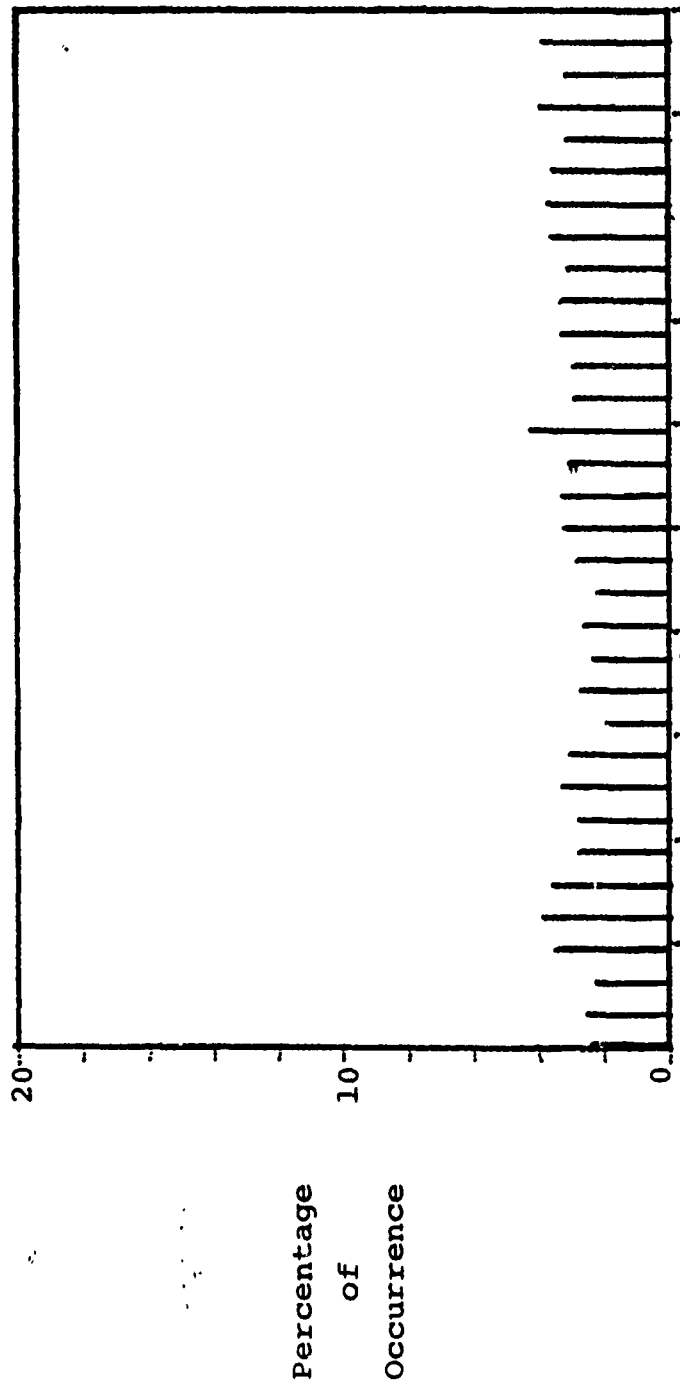


Figure 23. Data-keyed cipher  
 Standard deviation = 0.5395  
 Key = C       $i = 7$

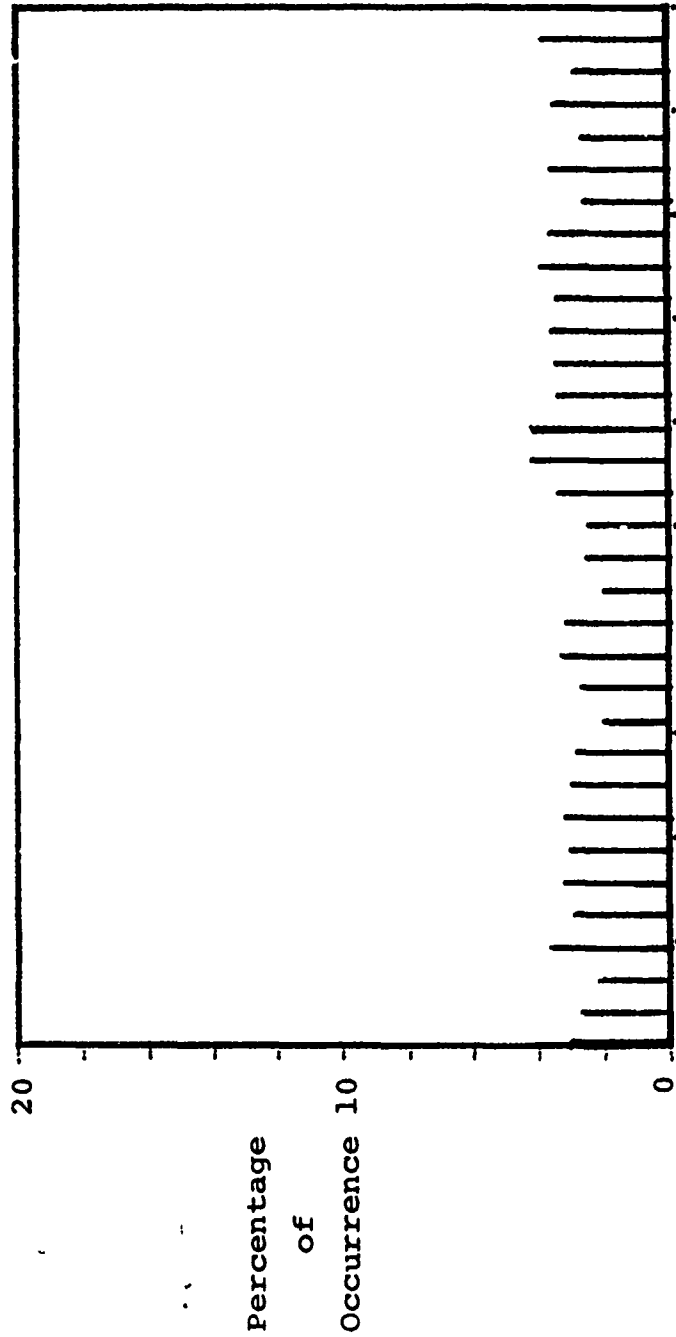


Figure 24. Data-keyed cipher  
 Standard deviation = 0.501  
 Key = J    i = 2

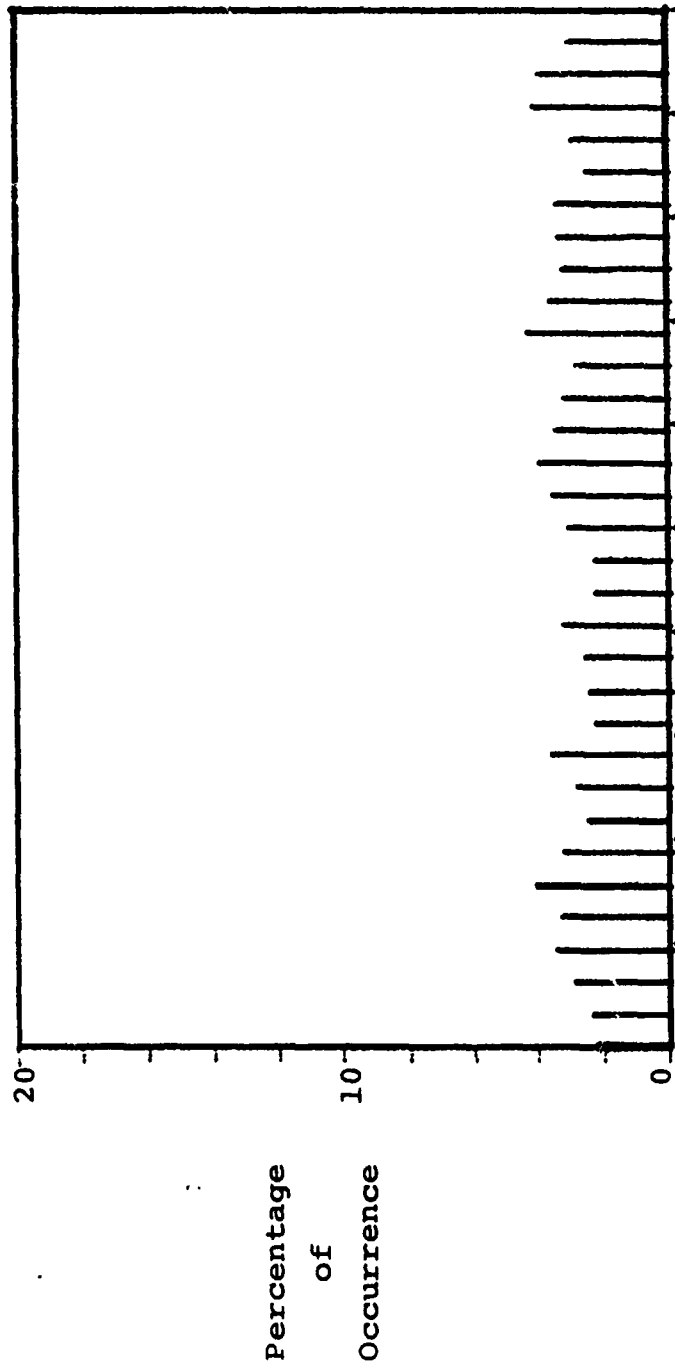


Figure 25. Data-keyed cipher  
 Standard deviation = 0.4609  
 Key = J     i = 17



## VII. ERROR CORRECTING SCHEME

The data-keyed cipher of the last section offers to the system a degradation in the sense that the probability of word error is doubled due to the nature of the encipherment process, as was explained. This increase in error will undoubtedly affect the legibility of any message. Thus it was necessary to look into error correcting codes that will eventually overcome this present disadvantage. Again the availability of the digital computer proved to be very useful for enciphering the message and to encode it for transmission.

The error correcting code developed was intended for transmission over a memoryless binary symmetric channel. A memoryless channel is the one on which noise does not depend upon previous events. A binary symmetric channel is one for which the probability of a zero to be changed to a one, is equal to the probability of a one to be changed to a zero, during transmission.

Notation that will be encountered through this section follows:

$k$  = Number of information digits

$m$  = Number of check bits

$n$  = Code word length ( $n = k + m$ )

$e$  = Maximum number of correctible bit errors in one word

$R$  = Data rate ( $R = k/n$ )

$\beta$  = Binary symmetric channel parameter  
 $p(1/0) = p(0/1)$

$d$  = Hamming distance between code words.

#### A. BEST CODE DETERMINATION

The noise channel theorem as stated by Shannon [Ref. 14]

is:

Let a discrete channel have the capacity  $C$  bits/sec. and a discrete source has the entropy per second  $H$ . If  $H < C$  there exists a coding scheme such that the output of the source can be transmitted over the channel with an arbitrarily small frequency of errors. If  $H > C$ , it is possible to encode the source so that the equivocation is less than  $H - C + \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon$  is arbitrarily small. There is no method of encoding that gives an equivocation less than  $H - C$ .

The discrete source entropy for long messages consisting of discrete symbols is given by

$$H(x) = - \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \log p_i$$

where  $p_i$  is the probability of occurrence of a given symbol.

In the situation where the symbols are transmitted over a noisy channel a given symbol  $x_i$  may be received as  $y_i$ .

Shannon's measure of uncertainty at the receiver of what was actually transmitted is defined as:

$$H(x/y) = - \sum_x \sum_y p(x_i, y_i) \log p(x_i/y_i)$$

For the binary symmetric channel this uncertainty is given by:

$$H(x/y) = - (\beta \log \beta + (1 - \beta) \log (1 - \beta))$$

Then the channel capacity is given by

$$C = H(x) - H(x/y) \quad \text{maximized for } H(x) .$$

A significant parameter commonly used is the probability of word error in the message instead of the uncertainty measure. The probability of word error is defined as:

$$P(e) = \frac{\text{Number of wrong decoded words}}{\text{Number of words in message}}$$

It must be noted at this point that there will not necessarily be a code word for each ASCII character used. In fact this was the case for the code implemented, where each 4 bits of the message sequence is encoded into a 15-bit word. Thus, each 8-bit ASCII character was encoded into two words for transmission.

A "best code" means one that has least probability of error for any give channel  $\beta$  and the highest rate given by the ratio of information bits over the bit-length of each code word. The error correction ability of the code can be derived from the Varsharmov-Gilbert-Sacks condition (upper bound)

$$2^m > \sum_{i=0}^{2e-1} \binom{n-1}{i}$$

which is a sufficient but not necessary condition. And from the Hamming's lower bound inequality

$$2^m \geq \sum_{i=0}^e \binom{n}{i}$$

which is a necessary but not sufficient condition for designing an  $e$ -tuple error correcting code.

Conversely, using these conditions, once a code is chosen and specified by its rate ( $R$ ) and code word length ( $n$ ), the number of correctible  $e$ -tuples can be determined.

The theoretical value of probability of error is given by Ash [Ref. 18]:

$$p(e) = 1 - \sum_{i=0}^e N_i \beta^i (1-\beta)^{n-i}$$

where  $N_i$  is the number of correctible  $e$ -tuple errors, and  $e_i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , up to the maximum number of correctible errors per word.

The Hamming distance ( $d$ ) is the minimum distance between code words. If  $d$  happens to be even and the maximum value of  $e$  is given by  $(d-1)/2$ , this will yield a fraction.

Then the number of maximum e-tuple errors is given by Shiva [Ref. 19]

$$\frac{\text{Number of correctible } d/2 \text{ errors}}{\text{Total number of } d/2 \text{ errors}} = 1 - \frac{\frac{\mu(\mu+1)}{2}}{n^{d/2}}$$

where 
$$\mu = \frac{d!}{\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)! \left(\frac{d}{2}\right)!}$$

For the same channel ( $\beta$  constant), reducing the probability of error results in a reduction of the code rate. Working backwards, for any given probability of error and word length, one can estimate the information length and code rate by using the Varsharmov-Gilbert-Sacks condition.

In the present work a cyclic code with a rate  $R = 4/15$  is implemented to overcome the degradation due to the noisy channel. Its effectiveness was tested by simulating transmission over a binary symmetric channel with different values of  $\beta$ .

## B. THE (15,4) CYCLIC CODE AND ITS COMPUTER REALIZATION

The theory of Cyclic Codes and their representation by means of a k-stage feedback shift register is very well treated by Ash [Ref. 18].

### 1. Selection of Polynomial

In order to be compatible with the 16-bit organization of the PDP-11/40, the characteristic polynomial for

this code was chosen from Appendix C of Peterson [Ref. 20], and it was

$$G(x) = x^4 + x + 1$$

which is an irreducible polynomial and which can be represented by a 4-stage shift register as shown in Figure 26. Since  $G(x)$  is a maximum period irreducible polynomial, with a period  $2^4 - 1 = 15$ , it divides the polynomial  $x^{15} + 1$  (modulo 2). Thus, the check polynomial for this code will be

$$H(x) = \frac{x^{15} + 1}{G(x)} = x^{11} + x^8 + x^7 + x^5 + x^3 + x^2 + x + 1$$

The polynomial chosen originates a (15,4) cyclic code, that is, a code where

$$k = 4$$

$$m = 11$$

$$n = 15$$

The coefficients of the check polynomial for the code word 00010011010111. Since the code is cyclic, any cyclic shift of the check word and any linear combination of code words is another code word. This property of the cyclic code represents an advantage for decoding purposes.

Procedure:

1. The 4-bit word to be coded is loaded in parallel into the 4-stage shift register feedback configuration.
2. Then the shift register is let to run until a 15-bit serial output (the code word) is obtained.

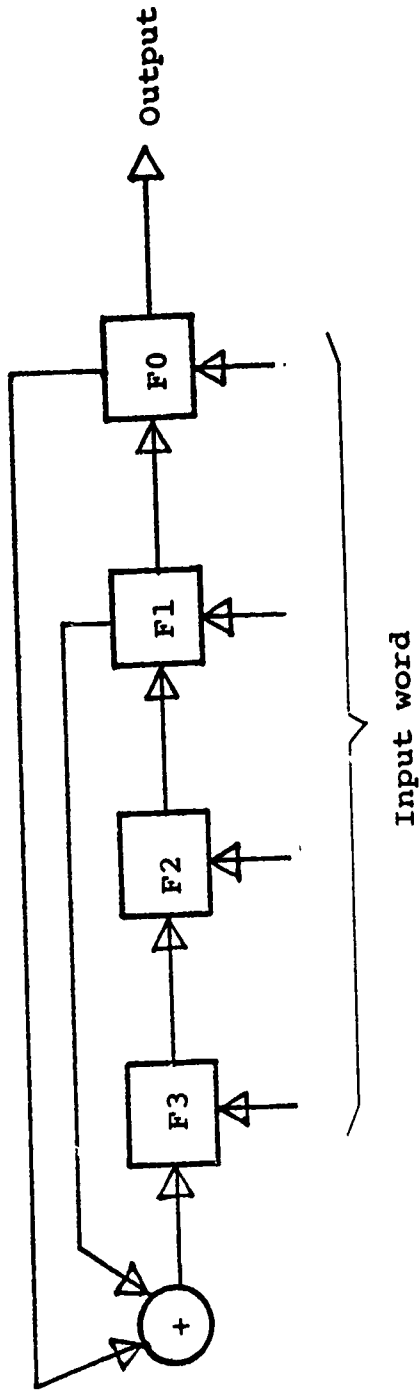


Figure 26. 4-stage encoder of the characteristic polynomial  $G(x) = x^4 + x + 1$

## 2. Computer Realization of Encoder

Encoding in a digital computer is accomplished by realizing the shift-register operations by implementing a matrix multiplication of the message word by a generator matrix.

The generator matrix for the characteristic polynomial  $G(x) = x^4 + x + 1$  used, was

$$[G]_{4,15} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

which when multiplied by the message word  $[x]_{1,4}$ , yielded the code word  $[w]_{1,15}$ .

A further comment can be made on the structure of the generator matrix: The four rows are code words and they are linearly independent, and, any of the other code words can be obtained by linear combination of these four rows. For ease of computer implementation, to obtain a code word it was only needed to exclusive-or the rows of  $[G]_{1,15}$  where a 1 occurs in the message word. For example,

$$[X]_{1,4} = 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \quad (\text{message word})$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{First row of } G = 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ + \\ \text{Second row of } G = 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \\ \hline \text{Code word} \quad \quad \quad 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \end{array}$$



Appendix E shows the complete listing of this encoding program.

### 3. Minimum Distance Decoder

Table VIII gives the code words for the 16 possible message words when the (15,4) cyclic code is used. It can be observed that the Hamming distance between these code words is 8. That is, the number of different digits between code words is 8 ( $d = 8$ ).

With the minimum distance decoder, if any combination of  $\frac{d-1}{2}$  or less errors occur in a received code word, it can be corrected with absolute certainty. For this code, any 3 or less errors can be corrected successfully.

For the case when 4-digit errors occur ( $e = 4$ ), the Varsharmov-Gilbert-Sacks condition (Upper bound)

$$2^m \sum_{i=0}^{2e-1} \binom{n-1}{i}$$

is not satisfied and thus there exists an uncertainty on whether a 4-digit error will be corrected. It has been found experimentally that 67.8% of different combinations of 4-digit errors can be corrected. Appendix G shows the complete listing of the decoding program.

### C. NOISY CHANNEL SIMULATION

Table IX provides the expected probabilities of error for transmission over a noisy binary symmetric channel when using the (15,4) cyclic code presented, as given by

Information word	Coded Word
0 0 0 0	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
0 0 0 1	0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1
0 0 1 0	0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0
0 0 1 1	0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1
0 1 0 0	0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0
0 1 0 1	0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 1
0 1 1 0	0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0
0 1 1 1	0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 1 0 1
1 0 0 0	1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1
1 0 0 1	1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 1 0 0 0
1 0 1 0	1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1
1 0 1 1	1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 1 0
1 1 0 0	1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1
1 1 0 1	1 1 0 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 0
1 1 1 0	1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 1 1
1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 0 0

TABLE VIII. Message words and their correspondent code word for the (15,4) cyclic code

Channel $\beta$	Probability of error P(e)
0.07050	$5.4480 \times 10^{-3}$
0.09797	$2.9176 \times 10^{-2}$
0.12426	$6.2425 \times 10^{-2}$
0.13992	$1.2542 \times 10^{-1}$
0.1709	$1.8780 \times 10^{-1}$
0.26613	$4.9052 \times 10^{-1}$

TABLE IX. P(e) vs. channel  $\beta$  for the code (15,4)

Cetinyilmaz [Ref. 21]. In the same reference a noise generating program is presented to simulate different conditional probabilities of error for the BSC. The same program was used in this thesis to simulate a noise BSC and to test the effectiveness of the code implemented. Appendix F gives a listing of the program.

Having the enciphering scheme, the error correcting code and a mean for introducing noise into the message to reflect different values of  $\beta$  for the channel, all were combined to simulate a Secure Digital Communication System, as depicted by Figure 27.

The following is the complete program flow for the system:

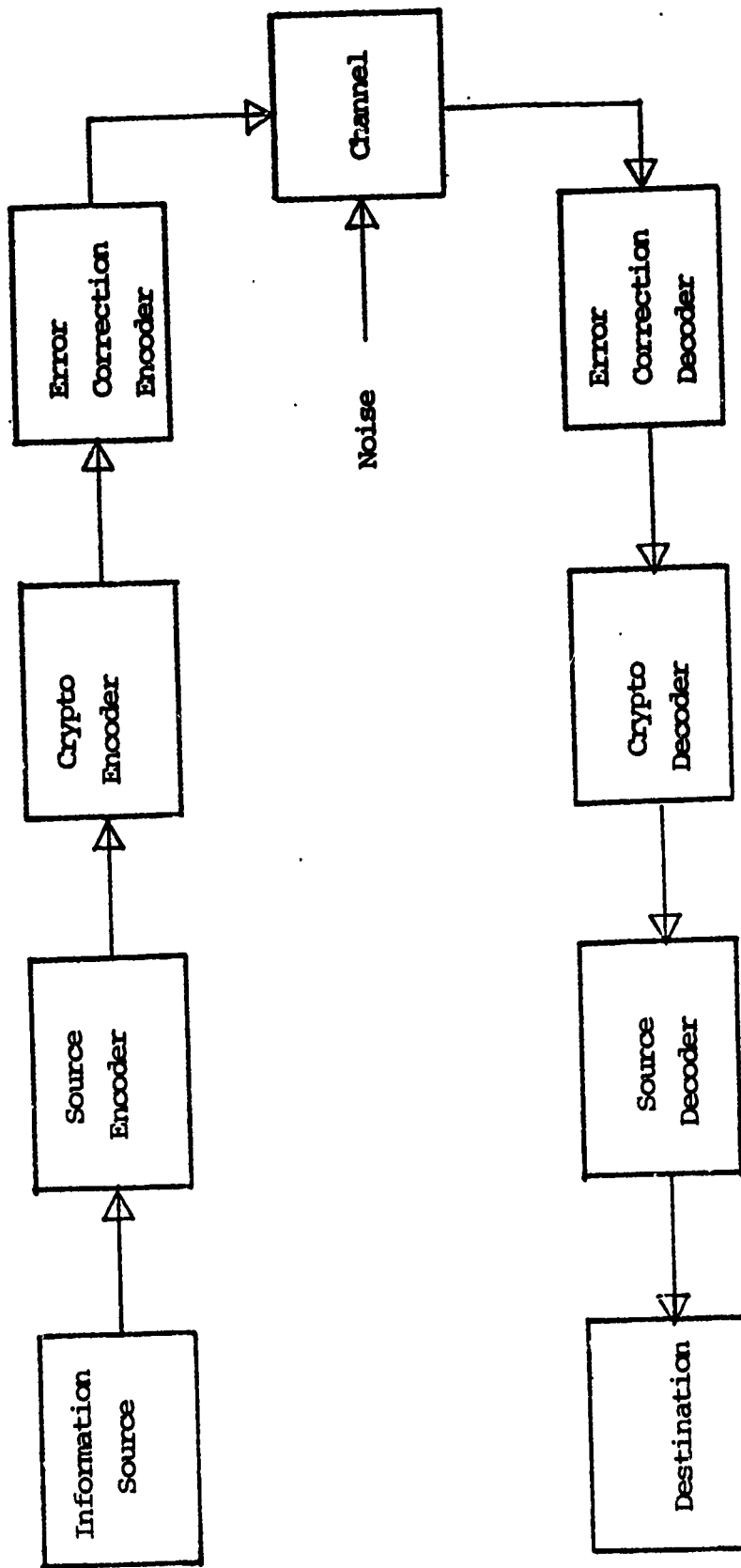


Figure 27. Secure digital communication system block diagram

a) Input program (address 20000 to 20036) - The message is typed in. The program stores the message in ASCII code form into memory locations 30002-32000 (16-bit form).

b) Data-keyed cipher program (10000-11044) - The key to be used is typed in, the program stores it at 30000. The program takes the message from 30000-32000, ciphers it and then stores it at 40000-42000 (16-bit form). The parameter "i" can be selected at address 10014.

c) Input interface program (14000-14036) - This program puts the ciphered text, already in 16-bit form, into 8-bit form to be handled by the encoding program. 8-bit characters are moved into memory locations 51000-52000.

d) Encoder program (14040-14152) - Encodes message and stores coded words into memory locations 52000-54000. Generator matrix is stored at

<u>Memory location</u>	<u>Content</u>
50200	104656
50202	46570
50204	23274
50206	11536

e) Noise generating program (14540-14754)

f) Noise mixing program (14756-15050) - Takes coded words from 52000-54000 and exclusive-ors them with noise words at 32000-34000, thus introducing noise into the text. Results are stored back at 52000-54000.

g) Minimum distance decoder (14154-14436) - Takes the distorted coded words from location 52000-54000, decodes them if they are correctible and stores the decoded words at location 56000-57000. Check polynomial is 11536 at address 50104.

h) Output interface program (14440-14464) - Takes decoded words and moves them to 30000-32000 to be deciphered.

i) Data-keyed deciphering program (10000-11044) - Same as (b), the only change needed is to change the contents of address 10012 from 40002 to 30002 to be compatible with the decipherment process. The program decipheres the message and stores the results in memory locations 40000-42000.

j) Output program (12000-12244) - Prints the cryptogram and the plaintext message.

## VIII. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

After looking at the computer organization and establishing a basis to realize reversible transformations, three cryptographic systems were implemented:

1. Simple substitution
2. Pseudo-random cipher
3. Data-keyed cipher

The first, provided the basis for the other two. It was not intended to provide any significant amount of security since the cryptanalytic weakness of a simple substitution is well known.

The pseudo-random cipher is provided with a means to do polyalphabetic substitutions. This kind of cipher is known to be time consuming when done manually. The algorithm used to generate pseudo-random keys was a simple one, though it can be as complex as the user desires.

With the data-keyed cipher very significant results were obtained in the sense that its distribution plots were fairly flat. A disadvantage presented by this cipher was the error propagation when deciphering. This fact motivated the author to look into error correcting codes to use them with this or any other system. A (15,4) cyclic error correcting block code was implemented. This code contributed appreciably to reduce the probability of error,

$P(e)$ , when transmission was simulated over a noisy binary symmetric channel.

Finally, it can be said that the digital computer is suitable for encrypting and coding data for transmission, providing at the same time many different alternatives for both functions. With the advent of microprocessors and with communication systems tending to become all digital, it is certain that we will see in the future a computer performing these functions together with many more.



APPENDIX A. - PROGRAM FOR THE  
SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION CIPHER

010000 /005000  
010002 /005002  
010004 /005037  
010006 /177560  
010010 /105737  
010012 /177550  
010014 /100375  
010016 /013700  
010020 /177562  
010022 /005003  
010024 /020027  
010026 /000260  
010030 /100002  
010032 /012702  
010034 /000001  
010036 /000416  
010040 /020027  
010042 /000300  
010044 /100003  
010046 /012702  
010050 /000003  
010052 /000410  
010054 /020027  
010056 /000320  
010060 /100003  
010062 /012702  
010064 /000005  
010066 /000402  
010070 /012702  
010072 /000007  
010074 /005202  
010076 /105737  
010100 /177564  
010102 /100375  
010104 /110037  
010106 /177566  
010110 /005001  
010112 /005037  
010114 /177560  
010116 /105737  
010120 /177560

SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010122 /100375  
010124 /013701  
010126 /177562  
010130 /122701  
010132 /000215  
010134 /001034  
010136 /105737  
010140 /177564  
010142 /100375  
010144 /110137  
010146 /177566  
010150 /012702  
010152 /000012  
010154 /105737  
010156 /177564  
010160 /100375  
010162 /112737  
010164 /000200  
010166 /177566  
010170 /077207  
010172 /105737  
010174 /177564  
010176 /100375  
010200 /112737  
010202 /000212  
010204 /177566  
010206 /105737  
010210 /177564  
010212 /100375  
010214 /112737  
010216 /000212  
010220 /177566  
010222 /000137  
010224 /001172  
010226 /022703  
010230 /000004  
010232 /100455  
010234 /022703  
010236 /000002  
010240 /100425  
010242 /020127  
010244 /000260  
010246 /100002  
010250 /012704  
010252 /000260

SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010254 /000520  
010256 /020127  
010260 /000300  
010262 /100003  
010264 /012704  
010266 /000260  
010270 /000512  
010272 /020127  
010274 /000320  
010276 /100003  
010300 /012704  
010302 /000260  
010304 /000504  
010306 /012704  
010310 /000260  
010312 /000501  
010314 /020127  
010316 /000260  
010320 /100003  
010322 /012704  
010324 /000240  
010326 /000473  
010330 /020127  
010332 /000300  
010334 /100003  
010336 /012704  
010340 /000240  
010342 /000465  
010344 /020127  
010346 /000320  
010350 /100003  
010352 /012704  
010354 /000240  
010356 /000457  
010360 /012704  
010362 /000240  
010364 /000454  
010366 /022703  
010370 /000006  
010372 /100425  
010374 /020127  
010376 /000260  
010400 /100003  
010402 /012704  
010404 /000320

SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010406 /000443  
010410 /020127  
010412 /000300  
010414 /100003  
010416 /012704  
010420 /000320  
010422 /000435  
010424 /020127  
010426 /000320  
010430 /100003  
010432 /012704  
010434 /000320  
010436 /000427  
010440 /012704  
010442 /000320  
010444 /000424  
010446 /020127  
010450 /000250  
010452 /100003  
010454 /012704  
010456 /000300  
010460 /000416  
010462 /020127  
010464 /000300  
010466 /100003  
010470 /012704  
010472 /000300  
010474 /000410  
010476 /020127  
010500 /000320  
010502 /100003  
010504 /012704  
010506 /000300  
010510 /000402  
010512 /012704  
010514 /000300  
010516 /074001  
010520 /074401  
010522 /105737  
010524 /177564  
010526 /100373  
010530 /110137  
010532 /177566  
010534 /005202  
010536 /020227

SIMPLE SUBSTITUTION PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010540 /000050  
010542 /001036  
010544 /005002  
010546 /105737  
010550 /177564  
010552 /100375  
010554 /112737  
010556 /000215  
010560 /177566  
010562 /012702  
010564 /000012  
010566 /105737  
010570 /177564  
010572 /100375  
010574 /112737  
010576 /000200  
010600 /177566  
010602 /077207  
010604 /105737  
010606 /177564  
010610 /100375  
010612 /112737  
010614 /000212  
010616 /177566  
010620 /105737  
010622 /177564  
010624 /100375  
010626 /112737  
010630 /000212  
010632 /177566  
010634 /005002  
010636 /005004  
010640 /000167  
010642 /177244

APPENDIX B. - PROGRAM TO COUNT THE NUMBER  
OF OCCURRENCES OF EACH CHARACTER IN A MESSAGE  
STORED AT LOCATION 40000 AND UP

013000 /012704  
013002 /117700  
013004 /012702  
013006 /000240  
013010 /005003  
013012 /012701  
013014 /040000  
013016 /021127  
013020 /000215  
013022 /001404  
013024 /022102  
013026 /001373  
013030 /005203  
013032 /000771  
013034 /000240  
013036 /000240  
013040 /000240  
013042 /105737  
013044 /177564  
013046 /100375  
013050 /110237  
013052 /177566  
013054 /010324  
013056 /005202  
013060 /020227  
013062 /000340  
013064 /001351  
013066 /000000

APPENDIX C. - PROGRAM TO COMPUTE STATISTICS  
OF MESSAGE

```

10 BLKDEF B0,32,1
20 BLKDEF B1,32,0
30 BLKDEF B2,32,0
40 BLKDEF B3,32,1
50 LET B3,0,'@ABCDEFGHIJKLMNPOQRSTUVWXYZ[ ]^_`
60 BIBSET B0,3,11
65 BIBSET B0,1,15
66 BIBSET B3,1,15
70 LINK '110000',11
150 FLOAT B0,B1
155 MOVE B1,B2
160 INTG B1
170 LET R0,B1,71
171 MOVE B2,B1
180 PRINT 'TOTAL NUMBER OF OCCURRENCES = ',R0
181 PRINT ' '
190 PRINT 'CHAR          NO. OF OCCURRENCES
200 FOR I2,0,31
210 LET R1,B1,I2
220 STACK 201,200,5,100,,4,254
240 LET B1,I2,R4
250 TRANS 0,B3,I2,I1
260 HOLOUT 'KB',I1,' '
270 LET R2,B1,I2
271 LET I3,B0,I2
280 PRINT '                ',I3
282 NEXT I2
285 PRINT ' '
291 OSPEC 'CR'
292 DISPLY B1,'M','G'
293 OSPEC 'KB'
300 LET R1,32.
310 MOVE B1,B2
320 MUL B1,B1
330 INTG B2
340 LET R2,B2,31
350 QUOT R2,R2,R1
360 PRINT 'EXPECTED VALUE = ',R2
380 PROD R2,R2,R2
390 INTG B1
400 LET R3,B1,31
410 QUOT R3,R3,R1
420 DIF R3,R3,R2
430 PRINT 'VARIANCE = ',R3
450 STACK 203,16,255
460 PRINT 'STANDARD DEVIATION = ',R5
470 RETURN
END

```

APPENDIX D. - PROGRAM FOR THE  
DATA-KEYED CIPHER

010000 /012737  
010002 /040002  
010004 /001006  
010006 /012737  
010010 /000007  
010012 /001312  
010014 /005037  
010016 /037770  
010020 /005000  
010022 /005002  
010024 /005037  
010026 /177560  
010030 /105737  
010032 /177560  
010034 /100375  
010036 /013700  
010040 /177562  
010042 /005003  
010044 /020027  
010046 /000260  
010050 /100003  
010052 /012703  
010054 /000001  
010056 /000416  
010060 /020027  
010062 /000300  
010064 /100003  
010066 /012703  
010070 /000003  
010072 /000410  
010074 /020027  
010076 /000320  
010100 /100003  
010102 /012703  
010104 /000005  
010106 /000402  
010110 /012703  
010112 /000007  
010114 /005202  
010116 /105737  
010120 /177564



DATA-KEYED PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010122 /100375  
010124 /110037  
010126 /177566  
010130 /010037  
010132 /030000  
010134 /010037  
010136 /040000  
010140 /012737  
010142 /030002  
010144 /001002  
010146 /012737  
010150 /040002  
010152 /001004  
010154 /005001  
010156 /005037  
010160 /177560  
010162 /105737  
010164 /177560  
010166 /100375  
010170 /013701  
010172 /177562  
010174 /013704  
010176 /001002  
010200 /010124  
010202 /010437  
010204 /001002  
010206 /005004  
010210 /022701  
010212 /000215  
010214 /001042  
010216 /013704  
010220 /001004  
010222 /010114  
010224 /105737  
010226 /177564  
010230 /100375  
010232 /110137  
010234 /177566  
010236 /012702  
010240 /000012  
010242 /105737  
010244 /177564  
010246 /100375  
010250 /112737  
010252 /000200

DATA-KEYED PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010254 /177566  
010256 /077207  
010260 /105737  
010262 /177564  
010264 /100375  
010266 /112737  
010270 /000212  
010272 /177566  
010274 /105737  
010276 /177564  
010300 /100375  
010302 /112737  
010304 /000212  
010306 /177566  
010310 /000137  
010312 /001172  
010314 /000240  
010316 /022703  
010320 /000004  
010322 /100455  
010324 /022703  
010326 /000002  
010330 /100425  
010332 /020127  
010334 /000260  
010336 /100003  
010340 /012704  
010342 /000260  
010344 /000520  
010346 /020127  
010350 /000300  
010352 /100003  
010354 /012704  
010356 /000260  
010360 /000512  
010362 /020127  
010364 /000320  
010366 /100003  
010370 /012704  
010372 /000260  
010374 /000504  
010376 /012704  
010400 /000260  
010402 /000501  
010404 /020127

DATA-KEYED PROGRAM. . . CONTINUATION

010406 /000260  
010410 /100003  
010412 /012704  
010414 /000240  
010416 /000473  
010420 /020127  
010422 /000300  
010424 /100003  
010426 /012704  
010430 /000240  
010432 /000465  
010434 /020127  
010436 /000320  
010440 /100003  
010442 /012704  
010444 /000240  
010446 /000457  
010450 /012704  
010452 /000240  
010454 /000454  
010456 /022703  
010460 /000006  
010462 /100425  
010464 /020127  
010466 /000260  
010470 /100003  
010472 /012704  
010474 /000320  
010476 /000443  
010500 /020127  
010502 /000300  
010504 /100003  
010506 /012704  
010510 /000320  
010512 /000435  
010514 /020127  
010516 /000320  
010520 /100003  
010522 /012704  
010524 /000320  
010526 /000427  
010530 /012704  
010532 /000320  
010534 /000424  
010536 /020127

DATA\_KEYED PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010540 /000260  
010542 /100003  
010544 /012704  
010546 /000300  
010550 /000416  
010552 /020127  
010554 /000300  
010556 /100003  
010560 /012704  
010562 /000300  
010564 /000410  
010566 /020127  
010570 /000320  
010572 /100003  
010574 /012704  
010576 /000300  
010600 /000402  
010602 /012704  
010604 /000300  
010606 /074001  
010610 /074401  
010612 /023737  
010614 /001012  
010616 /037770  
010620 /100024  
010622 /013704  
010624 /001006  
010626 /012437  
010630 /001014  
010632 /010437  
010634 /001006  
010636 /012704  
010640 /000004  
010642 /106337  
010644 /001014  
010646 /077403  
010650 /000241  
010652 /012704  
010654 /000005  
010656 /106137  
010660 /001014  
010662 /077403  
010664 /013704  
010666 /001014  
010670 /074401

DATA-KEYED PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

010672 /005004  
010574 /000240  
010676 /000240  
010700 /000240  
010702 /105737  
010704 /177564  
010706 /100375  
010710 /110137  
010712 /177566  
010714 /013704  
010716 /001004  
010720 /010124  
010722 /010437  
010724 /001004  
010726 /005237  
010730 /037770  
010732 /005202  
010734 /020227  
010736 /000050  
010740 /001036  
010742 /005002  
010744 /105737  
010746 /177564  
010750 /100375  
010752 /112737  
010754 /000215  
010756 /177566  
010760 /012702  
010762 /000012  
010764 /105737  
010766 /177564  
010770 /100375  
010772 /112737  
010774 /000200  
010776 /177566  
011000 /077207  
011002 /105737  
011004 /177564  
011006 /100375  
011010 /112737  
011012 /000212  
011014 /177566  
011016 /105737  
011020 /177564  
011022 /100375

DATA-KEYED PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

011024 /112737  
011026 /000212  
011030 /177566  
011032 /005002  
011034 /005004  
011036 /000167  
011040 /177112

APPENDIX E. - ENCODING PROGRAM FOR

THE ( 15,4 ) CYCLIC CODE

014040 /012700  
014042 /051000  
014044 /000240  
014046 /000240  
014050 /013702  
014052 /050100  
014054 /112037  
014056 /050140  
014060 /012703  
014062 /000002  
014064 /012704  
014066 /000004  
014070 /012705  
014072 /050200  
014074 /005037  
014076 /050142  
014100 /012501  
014102 /106337  
014104 /050140  
014106 /103002  
014110 /074137  
014112 /050142  
014114 /000240  
014116 /077410  
014120 /013737  
014122 /050142  
014124 /052000  
014126 /005237  
014130 /014124  
014132 /005237  
014134 /014124  
014136 /077326  
014140 /077233  
014142 /012737  
014144 /052000  
014146 /020210  
014150 /000137  
014152 /001172

APPENDIX F. - NOISE GENERATING PROGRAM

014540 /012700  
014542 /032000  
014544 /012701  
014546 /001000  
014550 /005020  
014552 /077102  
014554 /000240  
014556 /012700  
014560 /057000  
014562 /012746  
014564 /012705  
014566 /012746  
014570 /000030  
014572 /011667  
014574 /000025  
014576 /012704  
014600 /177304  
014602 /612714  
014604 /010000  
014606 /012637  
014610 /177300  
014612 /011467  
014614 /000030  
014616 /012701  
014620 /177316  
014622 /012703  
014624 /000030  
014626 /012624  
014630 /012714  
014632 /000401  
014634 /014446  
014636 /062716  
014640 /000003  
014642 /077307  
014644 /005327  
014646 /000000  
014650 /001414  
014652 /011614  
014654 /005044  
014656 /012711  
014660 /177775  
014662 /005724  
014664 /042714  
014666 /000001  
014670 /060014



NOISE GENERATING PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

014672 /012774  
014674 /000001  
014676 /000000  
014700 /000750  
014702 /005026  
014704 /012700  
014706 /057000  
014710 /012701  
014712 /032000  
014714 /012702  
014716 /000177  
014720 /012703  
014722 /000020  
014724 /006220  
014726 /006011  
014730 /077303  
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014734 /012702  
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014744 /077303  
014746 /005721  
014750 /077215  
014752 /000137  
014754 /001172

APPENDIX G. - DECODING PROGRAM FOR  
THE MINIMUM DISTANCE DECODER.

014154 /012700  
014156 /052000  
014160 /013737  
014162 /050100  
014164 /050102  
014166 /063737  
014170 /050100  
014172 /050102  
014174 /013701  
014176 /050104  
014200 /012703  
014202 /054000  
014204 /012704  
014206 /000017  
014210 /005037  
014212 /050116  
014214 /011005  
014216 /074105  
014220 /012702  
014222 /000017  
014224 /006305  
014226 /005537  
014230 /050116  
014232 /077204  
014234 /022737  
014236 /000004  
014240 /050116  
014242 /002010  
014244 /006301  
014246 /103402  
014250 /077421  
014252 /000407  
014254 /062701  
014256 /000002  
014260 /077425  
014262 /000403  
014264 /010123  
014266 /005720  
014270 /000403  
014272 /012723  
014274 /000000

DECODING PROGRAM... CONTINUATION

014276 /005720  
 014300 /162737  
 014302 /000001  
 014304 /050102  
 014306 /003336  
 014310 /000240  
 014312 /000240  
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 014316 /000240  
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 014326 /054001  
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 014332 /056000  
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 014346 /005201  
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 014352 /000005  
 014354 /000241  
 014356 /106103  
 014360 /077502  
 014362 /012705  
 014364 /000004  
 014366 /106303  
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 014374 /000005  
 014376 /000241  
 014400 /106104  
 014402 /077502  
 014404 /012705  
 014406 /000004  
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 014412 /077502  
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 014416 /000005  
 014420 /000241  
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 014424 /077502  
 014426 /074304  
 014430 /110422  
 014432 /077040  
 014434 /000137  
 014436 /001172

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